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SPARKS

By Bill Berger

"Forge thy tongue on an anvil of truth, and what flies up, though it be but a spark, shall have weight."
—Pindar

Christmas is almost upon us as this is being written, and it seems to get here faster every year.

From all of us at The Anvil Herald to all of you who read our weekly efforts, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

This may be the best time of year to mention something we should all be thankful for. There are hundreds among us who work for all, joining in to make community progress possible.

Try to imagine what a town would be like if no one pitched in to serve as a den mother, scout leader, Camp Fire worker, or helped any of the other projects and organizations that do so much for so many.

If you know somebody who has devoted his or her time toward helping others during 1963, why not write them a note and give them your thanks?

The mechanics who are working on C-47 airplanes for the Hayes International Corporation at Hondo Air Base are justly proud of the record they turned in recently on their production number C-159.

It was accepted by the Air Force inspection crew without a single item of criticism, and with the many detailed operations necessary to overhaul an airplane, this is comparable to a no-hit, no-run performance by a baseball pitcher. Something like 27 consecutive strike-outs, you might say, with a record of 81 called strikes.

Those inspection sheets are long and detailed, and any time the Air Force can fill out one of them without finding something to criticize, it is time for rejoicing in the shop.

You all know what a citizen is, don't you? As defined in another newspaper, far enough away that we won't even mention the name, a citizen is a person who demands bigger schools, better roads, a new post office and lower taxes.

And the best definition of a successful man — one who earns more money than his wife can spend. A successful woman is one who finds such a man.

Our Readers

NEW AND RENEWALS

A. O. Beck, Mico
W. L. Sigler, Hondo
J. J. Mullen, San Antonio
J. J. Foley, Jr., Richardson
Mrs. K. Tschirhart, San Antonio
A-C A. G. Padro, Sheppard AFB, Texas

Please Report News About Holiday Events

With the extra activity of the Christmas holiday season, it will be impossible for the Anvil Herald staff to contact all persons who have guests, parties, plan trips, or other special occasions.

Won't you please report your news so that your newspaper may have complete accounts of all holiday happenings of the community?

Just list news on post card or in letter and drop it in the mail, Box 218, Hondo. Thank you.

Rev. Hubert Bauman, San Antonio
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Charles Balzen, Hondo

MEC Appoints New Director

Joe Moss of Rio Grande City was appointed by the Board of Directors of Medina Electric Cooperative, Inc., at their regular Board meeting held on Thursday, December 19, 1963, to fill the vacancy in District No. 3 due to the resignation of John Arndt of Encinal.

Arndt's resignation of December 19th, accepted with regrets, was due to the requirements of personal business interests.

The new director has cattle and oil interests in South Texas. Moss will complete Arndt's unexpired term to the date of the Annual Meeting of the MEC members in 1966.

District No. 3, the southern part of Medina's system, is composed of Dimmit, LaSalle, Webb, McMullen, Duval, Zapata, Jim Hogg, Brooks, Starr and Hidalgo Counties. Other Directors of Medina Electric Cooperative Inc., are Leslie H. Laffere, President, Uvalde; Dr. Wendell E. Beall, Vice-President, Pearsall; Leslie Brice, Secretary - Treasurer, Batesville; Holmes Dina, Bruni; G. R. Hans, Castroville; J. Donald Jordan, Cotulla; James O. Riff, Hondo; and Mike Smith of Sabinal.

Natalia Home Lost In Fire

By Mrs. L. W. Thompson

The farm home and contents belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Martin of Route 1, Natalia, were lost by fire Thursday afternoon about 4:00 o'clock when they were away. Cause of the fire was unknown. Natalia and Devine fire departments answered the call.

Insurance covered part of the loss.

The Martins had lived at this place 13 years and they intend to place 13 years and they intend to rebuild. They have one son, Gilbert.

Fire chief Jack Schott and Bill Perkins of the Devine fire department cut their hands on the window pane in the process of fighting the fire.

Music For Yuletide Singing

It's strange but true: Two of the most famous composers of Christmas music were both born in the same year, 1685, lived for many years within 30 miles of each other — and yet they never met!

The composers were Johann Sebastian Bach and George Frederick Handel.

Handel's Messiah will be heard at least in part, in numerous churches and schools throughout the country. Joy to the world is taken from the Messiah. The musical theme of While Shepherds Watched Their Flock also comes from this master.

From Bach's Christmas Oratorio come the themes of several other well known chorales. He is also the composer of How Brightly Beams the Morning Star.

Bach and Handel both proved themselves masters of Christmas music that is beautiful and easily enjoyed.

STUDENTS SCHOOL-FREE UNTIL JANUARY 6, 1964

Schools of the Hondo Independent School District will be closed until January 6, giving the students two weeks off for the Christmas holidays. School was dismissed last Friday after parties at each of the schools. Most of the students also exchanged gifts at these parties.

The holiday season officially ends at 9:00 a.m. Monday morning, January 6, when regular classes resume. This gives the students about ten days time before mid-term exams begin.



WITH WONDER-FILLED EYES, this young friend of Santa's feels in his heart his request to which Santa listens attentively.



THREE TOTS, whose faith in Santa remains unshaken, line up to tell him what they'd most like to find on their Christmas trees.



SAYS THE SHY YOUNG MAIDEN "just can't make up my mind". An escort tries to reassure her and the boy in the background is probably thinking about what to say when his turn comes.

Bond Sales Total \$4,862

Sales in Medina County totaled \$4,862 for the month of November, which represents 114.4 per cent of the 1963 goal for the County, according to Mr. Frank X. Vance, Chairman of Medina County Savings Bonds Committee.

Sales in Texas through November 1963 were \$133,225,948 which is 88.4 per cent of the state goal.

"The county Bond Committee and I would like to remind everyone that Savings Bonds make wonderful Christmas gifts. In case there is someone special on your Christmas list, let us suggest that you go to your bank and buy the gift that keeps on giving." — United States Savings Bonds. Special gift envelopes are available, without cost, at your bank," Chairman Vance stated.

MVH LISTS HONOR ROLL

By M. Echtle and H. Hitzfelder
Students of the Medina Valley High School were listed as follows:

A HONOR ROLL

Seniors — Sylvan Biediger, Mary L. Boehme, Maurine Doyle, Carolyn Mathis, Vivian Echtle, Dorothy Fitzsimon, Sherrie Baby, Jacqueline Weiblen
Juniors — Betty Balzen, Dennis Bippert, Diane Korlig, Sylvia Mechler, Peggy Nester, Jane Reus

Sophomores — Jane Stewart
Freshmen — Dorothy Bourquin, Dorothy Rihn, Claudia Salzman, Roxie Shoaf

B HONOR ROLL

Seniors — Juan Alvarado, Eugenia Benke, Cheryl Bennett, Dorothy Biediger, Roy John Biediger, Marilyn Echtle, Peggy Loessberg, Everett Alley, Anthony Tittsworth

Juniors — Becky Bennett, Tony Castillo, James Duron, Sharon Dylla, Linda Evers, Gary Baby, Jo Beth Homeyer, Mike Hutzler, Ronda Martin, Ronald Stinson, Roberta Baby, Margie Stewart

Sophomores — Sue Adams, LeRoy Ahr, Darnell Dylla, Cheryl Klump, Elsie Reyes, C. A. Stein

Freshmen — Gregory Biediger, Sandra Franger, Susanne Melton, Carl Stephenson, Claudia Tondre, Patsy Tschirhart

CofC Notes

By Winnie Braden

INDUSTRIAL SURVEY

At this time almost \$3000 has been pledged toward the Industrial Survey which is scheduled to get underway in January. Overall cost is estimated at not over \$4000 and there is still time to make your contribution to this project which is designed for the community welfare and advancement. Every dollar is needed and appreciated.

NEW OFFICERS

Returning for a second "go" as president of the C of C is Ralph Jones who is "Hondominded" all the way. He is certainly "experienced" and aware of the responsibilities that go with the office as well as being alert to any new challenges.

The three new directors, Allen McGuffin, Bob Kruger, and Jess Ledbetter are already busy on assigned tasks. They had good examples set for them by the retiring directors, Mike Ball, Harry C. Mueller, and Henry Stiegler.

All in all, 1964 looms as a busy year for your Hondo CofC.

GREETINGS

The holidays leave little time to consider statistics and reports. Any of interest have been included in the December newsletter mailed to members earlier this month.

Instead of listing facts and figures here, we'll use the allotted space to extend warm wishes to every reader for a Merry Christmas and a happy and successful New Year.

P. S. And how about joining your Chamber of Commerce?

Twelve Entries Win Lighting Contest Awards

The Christmas lighting contest, sponsored annually by the Hondo Chamber of Commerce, was held on the night of December 20.

Judges for the contest provided by the Hondo Garden Club included Mesdames Emory Delavan, A. B. Bledsoe, and Robert Reed, all of Castroville. Acting as hostesses for the Garden Club were Mrs. W. L. Taylor,

club president, Mrs. James Duncan, and Mrs. Hilmer Haegelin. Winners selected by the judges from the 15 homes and 7 business firms entered in the contest, were:

Class I. Outdoor - Attached to House: (1) Mr. and Mrs. Jim Myers, 1207 28th St.; (2) Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Stanga, 909 29th St.; (3) Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bader, 1103 28th St.

Class II. Outdoor - Detached from house: (1) Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hickey, 1402 24th St.; (2) Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Schulte, 2002 Ave. D; (3) Mr. and Mrs. Rothe Martin, 1706 22nd St.

Class III. Indoor: (1) Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schifers, 1009 25th St.; (2) Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Pope, 1202 30th St.

Class IV. Children's Division: (1) the children of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Braden, 1106 28th St.; (2) the children of Mr. and Mrs. James Tschirhart, 1909 22nd St.

Class V. Commercial: (1) City of Hondo; (2) The Ranch Store; (3) The Hondo Anvil Herald.

Named as Outstanding Exhibit was the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hickey.

Prize money and ribbons for the winners were donated by the Chamber of Commerce and the Retail Merchants Association.

Peace Corps Tests Scheduled Jan. 10

The next Peace Corps Placement Test is scheduled to be given nationwide on Saturday, January 11 at 8:30 a.m. The non-competitive aptitude tests will be administered at 825 post offices and other federal buildings in major cities throughout the United States. In this area, tests will be given in San Antonio, Room 618, Federal Building.

All applicants for Peace Corps service are required to take the Placement Test as well as submit a Peace Corps Questionnaire. Those who have not completed a Questionnaire will be asked to do so immediately after the testing. No applicant may take the test more than once without special permission from the Peace Corps.

Applicants should allow themselves about one and a half hours for the Placement Test. If they claim proficiency in Spanish or French they should plan an additional hour for the language achievement test — designed to test mastery of grammar, vocabulary and reading comprehension.

Dr. F. Wurzbach New President Medical Society

Dr. Faye Wurzbach of Castroville was elected president of the Nine Counties Medical Society of Texas in a meeting held in Uvalde on December 13.

The meeting was held at the Uvalde Country Club. Included on the program were four special seminars including one on "Planning for Disaster", by Dr. O. A. Fly Jr., General Surgery, Houston.

The program was under the direction of Dr. Sterling H. Fly Jr., Uvalde.

Included in the Nine Counties Medical Society are: Medina, Uvalde, Maverick, Val Verde, Terrell, Edwards, Real, Kinney, and Zavala.

APTITUDE
The Placement Test itself is composed of a 30-minute general aptitude test (made up of verbal, mathematical and spatial problems) and a 30-minute modern language aptitude test. The latter is designed to provide an indication of one's probable degree of success in learning to speak and to understand a foreign language. Knowledge of a foreign language is not needed to score well on this aptitude test, nor required for entrance into the Peace Corps.

There are no passing or failing marks on the Placement Test. The scores are used, along with other criteria, to aid in the selection process. They help the Peace Corps to place prospective Volunteers in the most appropriate overseas assignments.

TRAINING
Training will begin this summer to help fill requests for more than 6,000 Volunteers to serve in 46 countries around the globe — in Africa, Asia and Latin America. Hundreds of different skills are needed in the major fields of education, agriculture, health, construction, engineering and community development. For example: Ivory Coast wants science and math teachers; Nyasaland has asked for English and vocational teachers; Afghanistan needs carpenters and bricklayers, while Pakistan needs nurses. Chile wants agricultural extension workers and Honduras wants Volunteers for community development.

To take the Placement Test applicant must be American citizens at least 18 years of age. There is no upper age limit. Married couples may apply if they have no dependents under 18. A college education is not a requirement if an applicant can offer a certain skill or experience. Liberal arts college graduates with no special "skills" are often used as teachers and community development workers.



RICHARD RODRIGUEZ—Age 19
WOOD & WOOD



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5 BIG DAYS OF NEW YEAR'S SPECIALS
Thurs., Dec. 26th Thru Tues., Dec. 31st, 1963

- KIMBELL'S FRESH SHELLS
Blackeye PEAS, 300 can 2 for 23c
- OCEAN SPRAY
CRANBERRIES, whole or jellied, 300 can 24c
- Cornstarch PIE SLICED APPLES, No. 2 can 23c
- LINDY PEAS, Early June, 303 can 2 for 32c
- Lucky Leaf CHERRY PIE FILLING, No. 2 can 37c
- DEL MONTE
PINEAPPLE-GRAPPE FRUIT DRINK, 46-oz. tin 35c
- KOUNTY KIST WHOLE KERNEL
Golden CORN, 12-oz. can 2 for 35c
- Star Kist Chunk Style TUNA, 1/2 can 32c
- KRAFT'S MIRACLE
SALAD DRESSING, 4-oz. jar 59c
- Pet or Carnation MILK, tall can 2 for 31c
- Star Lite MILK, tall can 2 for 29c
- Falger's COFFEE, 1-lb. can 71c, 2 lb. can \$1.38
- CIGARETTES, all reg. & king sizes \$2.71
- Gold Medal FLOUR 5 lbs. 57c, 10 lbs. \$1.12
- Imperial Cane SUGAR, 5 lbs. 75c, 10 lbs. \$1.48
- Kimbell's SHORTENING, 3 lb. tin 69c
- Crisco SHORTENING, 3 lb. tin 86c
- Northern Toilet TISSUE, white-colors 4 for 39c
- Soap POWDERS, No Duz, lge. 32c, giant 75c
- Thrill Liquid DETERGENT, gnt. plastic bott. 63c
- Colgate TOOTH PASTE, econ. tube 59c
- Lanolin Plus HAIR SPRAY, plus tax 79c
- Listerine ANTISEPTIC, 7-oz. btl. 59c
- Nabisco Prem. Saltine CRACKERS, 1-lb. box 29c
- Colonio Little COOKIES, pkg. 45c

- FROZEN FOODS
Booth's Breaded SHRIMP, 10-oz. pkg. 59c
- Sara Lee BROWNIES, 13-oz. 73c
- Pai-Ritz PIE SHELLS, 2 in pkg. 36c
- Knorr's MELLORINE, 1/2 gal. rd. ctn. 59c

- FRESH FRUITS & VEGETABLES
POTATOES, Idaho Russets, 10 lb. bag 49c
- CELERY, California Pascal, stalk 14c
- BANANAS, Central American, lb. 14c
- Green ONIONS or PARSLEY, bunch 2 for 11c

- THE BEST HOME KILLED MEATS IN TOWN
PEERLESS "A" GRADE
FRYERS, cut lb. 34c, whole lb. 31c
- BISCUITS, Pillsbury or Bafard, 10 count 2/19c
- Kraft's Velveta SPREAD, 2 lb. box 89c
- BACON, Auge's Thick Slice, 2 lb. tray 98c
- MARGARINE, Star Lite, 2 lbs. 39c
- THIN SLICE
BACON, Decker's Tall Korn, lb. tray 45c
- HAMBURGER, fresh ground beef, lb. 49c
- Cured HAMS, Half or Whole, lb. 55c
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Pop Warner Bowl Games In SA 28th

The Optimist Pop Warner Bowl on December 28 at Alamo Heights High School Stadium will feature two football games between Highland Rocket Pee-wees and Optimist Pee-wee All-stars and Highland Rocket Midgets and Elanger, Kentucky Midgets.

Highland Rocket Pee-wees won their Conference and then won the Optimist Pop Warner City Championship Playoffs. The most amazing part of their 9-0-0 record is, that they have scored a total of 233 points, while holding their opponents scoreless. They have only allowed a total of 11 first downs, and three penetrations in their entire season.

Highland Rocket Midgets also won their Conference, and played a tie game in the City Playoffs, which they won on penetrations. Their season record is 9-0-1. Their opponent from Elanger, Kentucky, is sponsored by the Lions International Club. Their season record is 9-0-0.

A band from St. Mary's U., baton twirlers, and other forms of entertainment will be presented for pre-game and between game pleasure.



SANTA'S BIG gloved hand holds a smaller one to make man-conversation easier between friends.



YOUNG MOTHERS hold their own living dolls to whom Santa will probably bring smaller dollies for baby arms to hold. Boys might be saying, "well — could be!"

--Anvil Herald Photos

4-H Club News

By Carolyn Weynand

The D'Hanis 4-H Christmas party was held at the high school gym on Dec. 15. The party started at seven o'clock. Games were played. Refreshments served were soft drinks and cookies. Gifts were exchanged.

There were 23 members present. Adult leaders present were Mrs. Oscar Nester, and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Weynand. Other guests were Mrs. W. A. Nehr, Mrs. Lawrence Carle, Mrs. Walter Burrell, and Mrs. Dean.

Area Deaths

H. H. MATTHIES

Henry H. Matthies, 72, died Wednesday, December 18, 1963, at Brooke Hospital in Fort Sam Houston. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Ida Reicherzer Matthies; three sisters, Mrs. Minnie Wright, Mrs. Ella Weidner, Mrs. Anna Borchers; and one brother, John Matthies of Louisiana.

Mr. Matthies was a Navy Veteran of World War I and his last assignment was on "The Texas", now docked in Houston channel.

Interment was in San Jose Cemetery, San Antonio.



YULETIDE JOY TO OUR MANY GOOD FRIENDS
EDDIE WOJKO and Staff
FRONTIER CAFE AND HONDO COFFEE SHOP

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—Abraham Lincoln

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Salt Presents "Becket" On Jan. 10

The San Antonio Little Theatre announces one of the most spectacular productions in its history. Jean Anouilh's "BECKET" will open at San Pedro Playhouse January 10. The play deals with the reign of Henry II, William's great grandson. England was still an island occupied by a foreign race, and the Saxon peasants were mostly in a state of servitude to their overlords. The King ruled the country through the military force of his Barons and soldiers and through the executive ability of his Churchmen. Thomas Becket and Henry II were intimate friends, and the King made Becket the most powerful man in the country after himself.

Contemporary French playwright, Jean Anouilh, wrote this play concerning the friendship and eventual breach which affected the lives of these two men. Anouilh has his 12th century royalty act like mortals—with all the human tendencies toward laughter and the joys of life. Becket and Henry II are real people in this next production of San Antonio Little Theatre.

Theatre-goers will see Russell Rogers perform in the title role. Gerry Williams plays Henry II. SALT technical director, William Ernst, designed costumes and sets which promise to make San Antonio Little Theatre's production of BECKET one of the most exciting theatre events this year.

Dates of production are January 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 19 (Matinee); 23, 24 and 25. SALT box office phone number is PE 5-6922. Box office opens January 6, director Joe Salek announces. Mail orders accepted now: adults \$2.50, students \$1.40; Matinee: adults \$1.65, students 90 cents.

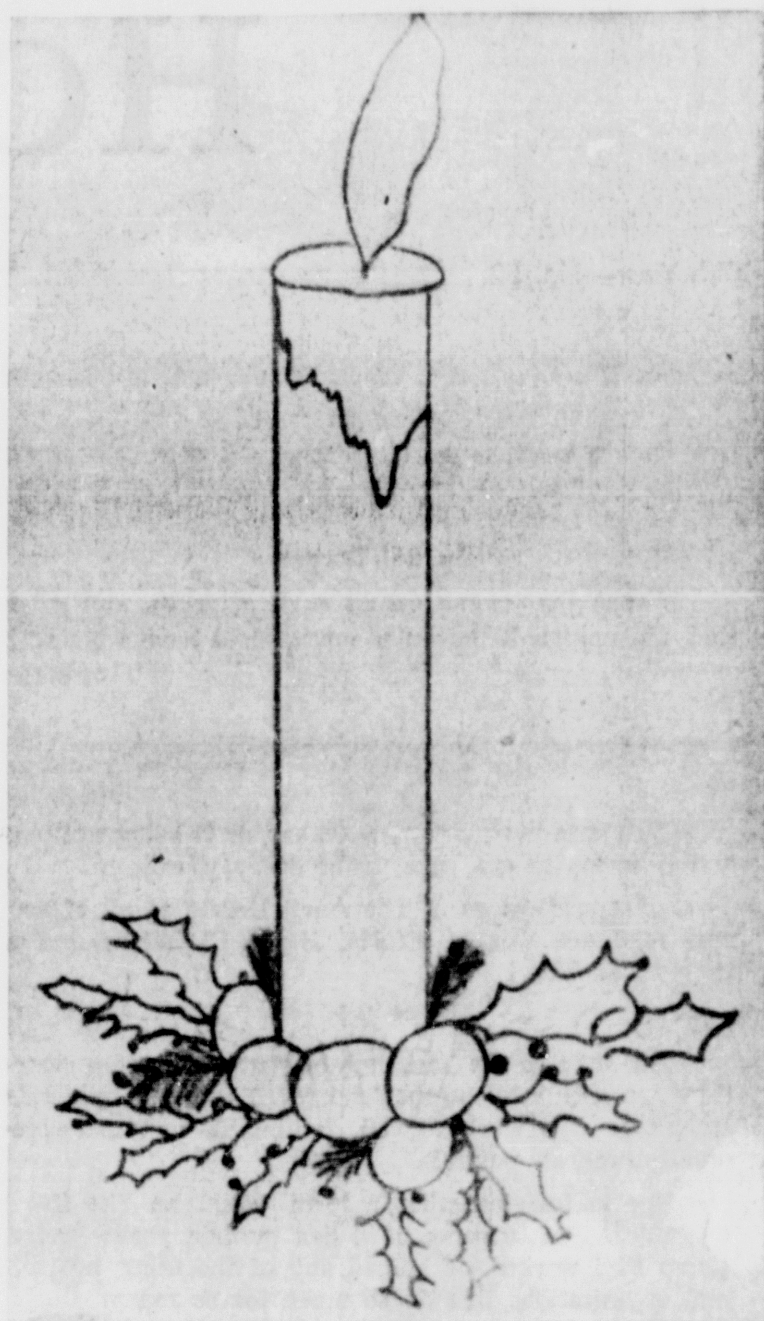
LaCoste News

By Mrs. Ida Jungman

The Alex Jungman Jr. family were out for the day with their parents Sunday.

Mrs. Katie Reicherzer spent the day Tuesday with her son and family, the Leo Reicherzers.

This correspondent extends a Merry Christmas and a bright and happy New Year to one and all!



SUZANNE KRUGER—Age 9
SEASON'S GREETINGS

CHAPMAN GRAIN, INC.



Mr. and Mrs. Skippy Bradley are the parents of twin boys born in San Antonio on December 20, 1963.

Mrs. Bradley is the former Irene Schweers.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bradley.

Biry News

By Mrs. Adolph Hutzler

M&M Ham Love and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bywaters from Devine visited Mrs. Estella Biry Monday.

The Lawrence Tschirhart visited M&M Sam Tschirhart on Tuesday evening. They visited M&M Smith at Landa Monday and had dinner with them. Mr. Tschirhart has some acreage rented from the Smiths at Goldfinch.

M&M Adolph Hutzler visited M&M Paul Mechler and M&M Ernest Hutzler and Adolph Zinsmeyer. They found Mrs. Zinsmeyer back in the hospital but she was feeling better again.



JOSE SANCHEZ—Age 15

SEASON'S GREETINGS

THE DAIRY KREME

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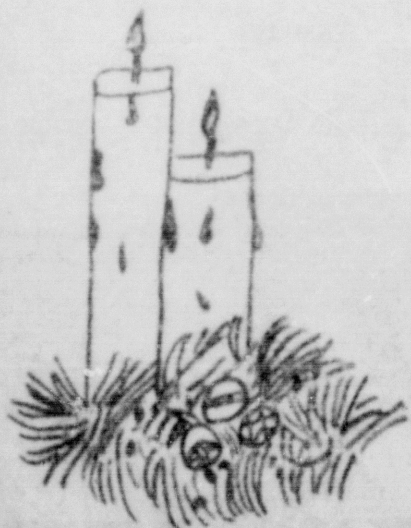


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JERRY LYNN SCHWEERS—Age 9

SEASON'S GREETINGS

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Legal Notice

NOTICE OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS OF THE MEDINA COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 2, MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS.

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the MEDINA COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 2, in Medina County, Texas, on Tuesday, January 14, 1964, between the hours of eight (8) A. M. and seven (7) P. M. for the purpose of electing three (3) Directors for said district, the MEDINA COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 2.

The THREE (3) Directors elected at such election shall serve for a term of two years each, or until their successors are elected and qualified. Notice of Candidacy for such election must be filed with the secretary of the District not later than the 30th day of December 1963. The Polling Place for such election will be in the A. J. Finger building, D'Hanis, Texas, and the following persons have been appointed officers of said election:

Clemens Finger, presiding Judge, Herman J. Ney, Associate Judge, Clayton Nester, Clerk.

Issued this 17th day of December 1963, pursuant to an order passed by the Board of Directors of the Medina County Water Control and Improvement District No. 2, on the 17th day of December 1963.

R. F. Wolff

President.
Attest:
John B. Nester, Secretary.
December 17, 1963

(3tc51)

NOTICE STOCK SHOW CONCESSION

The officers of the Medina County Junior Fat Stock Show are receiving bids for the concession for the 1964 Stock Show to be held February 3 and 4, 1964, at the stock show grounds in Hondo. The bids should be sent to Royce N. Dueterhoff, Box 3096, LaCoste, Texas. The bids must be received by January 5, 1964. They will be opened by the officers on January 6 and the successful bidder will be notified on that date. (2tc51)

LaCoste News

By H. Ritzfelder and M. Echle
CHRISTMAS PARTY

St. Ann's Society of Our Lady of Grace Parish held their annual Christmas Party Tuesday night, Dec. 17, at the Paul Christilles Jr. home.

Present were twenty-one members and two visitors, Mrs. Blas Duro and Mrs. Edward Rangel.

The following officers were elected: president, Mrs. R. J. Mangold; vice-president, Mrs. George Winkler; secretary, Mrs. Bernard Zinsmeyer; treasurer, Mrs. Richard Biediger.

Mrs. Henry Zinsmeyer and Mrs. Bernard Zinsmeyer took cookies to the St. Peter and Paul orphanage in SA Sunday afternoon.

Miss Hermina Hitzfelder spent Saturday night with M&M Perry Calk in SA.

M&M George Zuercher spent Sunday with Mrs. Pauline Graff at a nursing home in SA.

Mrs. Richard Biediger, Mrs. Wilfred Ahr and Mrs. George Kunze attended the funeral of Henry Matthies in SA Friday.



"HOME FOR CHRISTMAS"

When President Lyndon B. Johnson said "I'll be home for Christmas," he made "A U.S. TIN" a world headline — and he changed the plans of a lot of newspapermen.

Reporters from all over the nation preceded, accompanied, and followed the President to Central Texas.

European newsmen will arrive soon after Christmas. They will be here for German Chancellor Ludwig Erhard's December 28-29 visit to the President's famous LBJ Ranch near Johnson City.

Johnson's plans to confer with Erhard, in Texas, had been known for some time. But, his announcement that he planned to spend Christmas with his family at the ranch was a surprise.

Johnson said he wanted to relax on Christmas Day, maybe go hunting or just take to the hills "communing with myself." He also wanted to see "my sisters and my brother and my uncles and cousins and aunts."

The family scheduled the hanging of four traditional red velvet stockings from the mantel and opening of surprise presents, just like any other family. Turkey and trimmings, cooked by the ranch cook, was the Christmas day menu.

Meanwhile, 65 miles away, hundreds of the nation's top newspapermen set up headquarters and communications facilities in Austin hotels to cover the story of the President's return to Texas and the visit of German dignitaries.

Many would make the trip to the LBJ Ranch over newly-designated Ranch Road I. Last week the Texas Highway Commission budgeted funds for reconditioning and resurfacing the 4.5-mile loop paralleling the Pedernales River in the ranch area.

Highway Department officials predict that the President's Ranch Road I address soon will be as well known as the White House at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D. C.

OIL PRODUCTION UP

The Texas Railroad Commission set oil production for January at 2,800,000 barrels daily, 28.5 per cent of potential.

Figure represents a very slight increase over December which was under a 28 per cent order. This is the first application of the percentage method to determine production.

TOP PROBLEMS

Taxes, water and industrial development are the problems of most concern to Texans in their home areas, Lt. Gov. Preston Smith found after a statewide survey.

Smith received 2,500 responses from 7,500 questionnaires mailed to Texans. Queries asked for opinions as to the biggest problems facing their cities and the immediate areas in which they live and work. He found 85 per cent of answers centered on three subjects.

Taxes and/or fiscal responsibility, water and industrial development were the three fields showing greatest concern," Smith said. "Many of the water-problem answers came from municipal areas while the small towns in rural areas were more concerned about industrial development. In many cases, water and industrial development were mentioned in the same answer."

The lieutenant governor found

more concern over taxes at the local level "where increased demands for new schools and other municipal services are continuing to mount." But state taxes, too, are worrying citizens as they assess the overall load.

Education, transportation, municipal improvements, slum clearance and care of the aged were other problems listed by Texans answering Smith's questionnaires. The lieutenant governor is compiling answers to his other questions dealing with the state vs. federal control.

A number of newspapers are printing samples of the questionnaire.

FINANCES AT A GLANCE

In a new summary of the State budget, Governor John Connally offers these facts on tax outgo and sources of state income:

TO public education 35 cents; highways and roads 28 cents; public welfare 15 cents; higher education 11 cents; health and hospitals four cents; law enforcement and corrections two cents; other governmental functions five cents.

FROM all types of sales taxes 37 cents; federal aid 24 cents; severance and production taxes 12 cents; franchise, gross receipts and occupational taxes eight cents; licenses, permits and registrations 10 cents; and other sources nine cents.

HIGHWAY SAFETY

"Drastic action" by the Legislature and law enforcement agencies will be necessary if Texas drivers don't start showing more care about their own safety, Governor Connally warned in a holiday message.

Connally, "appalled" at predictions that 96 would die in holiday traffic accidents, issued a direct appeal to all drivers to make safety their personal business.

WHOOPIING COUGH

Whooping cough — known in medical jargon as pertussis — is not the killer it used to be. But it still is causing a significant scattering of infant deaths and a spread of sickness each year.

Its incidence seems to be on the increase in Texas. During the first week of December, city and county health officers across the state reported 19 new cases of whooping cough, bringing the 1963 total to 2,312 — an increase of 530 cases over the same period in 1962.

Only five deaths due to whooping cough were reported last year, but the State Department of Public Health already has received reports of 15 infant deaths from the disease this year.

State health officials say whooping cough is a large problem in the first six months of childhood. They emphasize two words — "family cooperation" as the key to protecting infants against this and other disease.

Doctors advise expectant mothers to have their other children receive whooping cough shots, or boosters, at least three months before the new baby's arrival.

SHORT SNORTS

Atty. Gen. Waggoner Carr named Dallas attorney Robert G. Storey as a special counsel to participate in a presidential commission inquiry into the Black Friday events of November 22 in Dallas.

Reports from 18 agencies concerned with water recreation have been received by the Water Recreation Study Committee. Its consolidated report and proposals to Governor Connally will be ready in March.

Garland City Manager Terrell Blodgett is the new chairman of the Texas Municipal Retirement System. He succeeds Lt. Walter Wilkins, Corpus Christi police officer. Applications for new First Bank and Trust Company in Austin, and Guaranty Bank in Lubbock — have been filed with the State Department of Banking.

J. B. Adair, coordinator of Baylor University's literacy studies program, has been selected by the Texas Education Agency to direct a statewide survey of adult illiteracy in Texas.

PERSONAL APPEARANCE

By Jerry June Berger

We can't speak for the inhabitants of other areas and countries, but Christmas Eve in Hondo, 1963, could not be a more beautiful day. After a just-below-freezing low of last night, the grass and rooftops are glistening this morning with a frost that resembles snow under the brilliance of the sun shining from a cloudless sky.

And unlike Clement C. Moore's classic "Night Before Christmas" there are plenty of creatures stirring around this house. (We hope, however, that they do not include a MOUSE.) Yet even though there is much extra clutter and confusion about the house, even though there are still gifts to be wrapped and much cooking to be done it IS a beautiful day. It would indeed take a real Scrooge to think, "Bah, Humbug!" on such a day.

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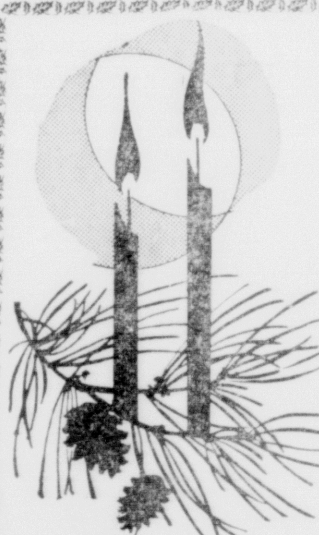
In a Houston Post article we read last night that Texans may have been responsible for the introduction into America of the Christmas tree.

When Prince Solms Braunfels and 300 German immigrants arrived in the state in 1846, they were shocked that Americans did not celebrate Christmas with lighted trees.

A German legend says that not only shepherds and wise men, but trees as well, went to worship the babe in Bethlehem. The gray and scraggly spruce was the ugliest of the trees, so the heavens took pity on it and dropped stars from the sky to light its branches. The spruce was transformed into such beauty that the Christ Child looked up and smiled.

For hundreds of years, the Germans had accepted the old legend and had decorated the spruce at Christmas. Since the spruce isn't native to Texas, the immigrants put colored paper and lighted candles on the cedar trees that Christmas in 1846. Soon the idea spread, and by the 1890's, the Christmas tree was common throughout the U. S.

We cannot verify the authenticity of this tale, but it does make a good story. Anyway, we hope that this Christmas your own tree is the very prettiest ever and that you all have a very Merry Christmas.



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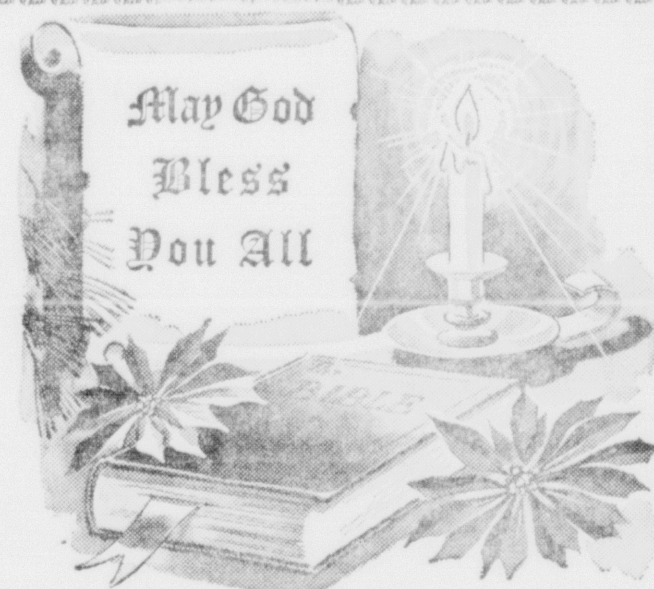
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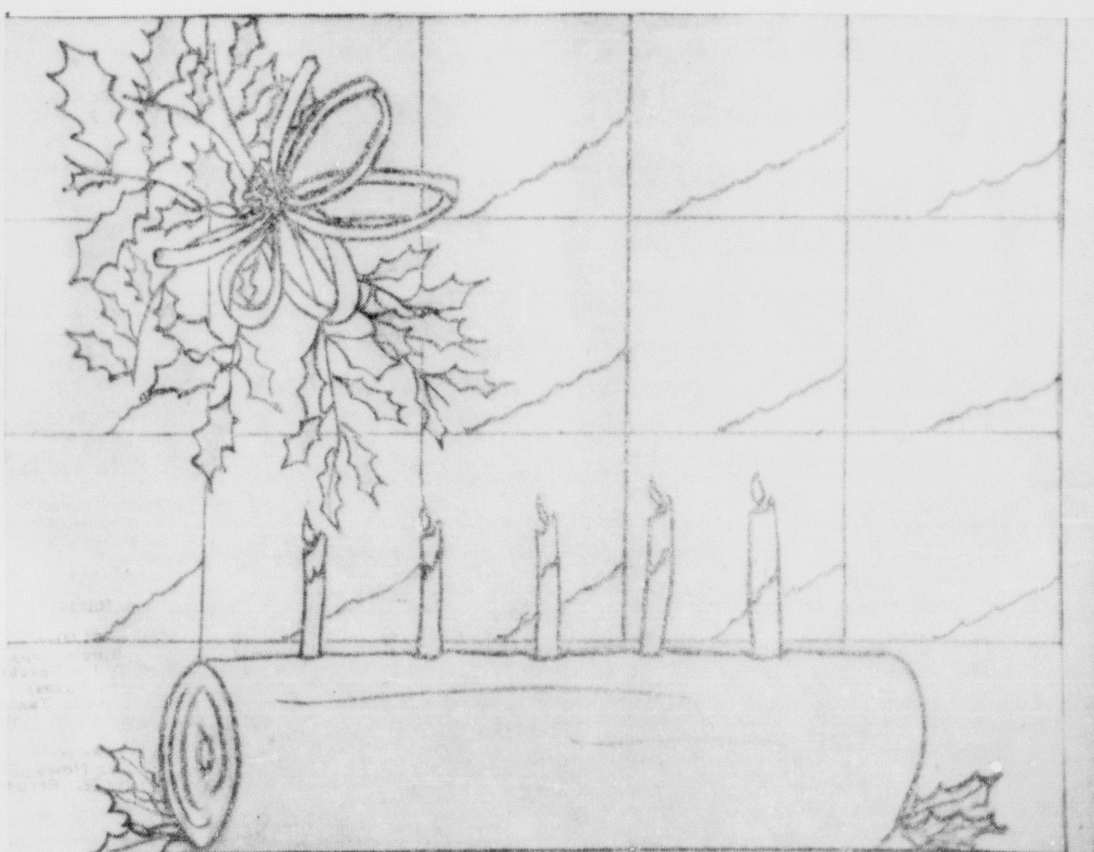
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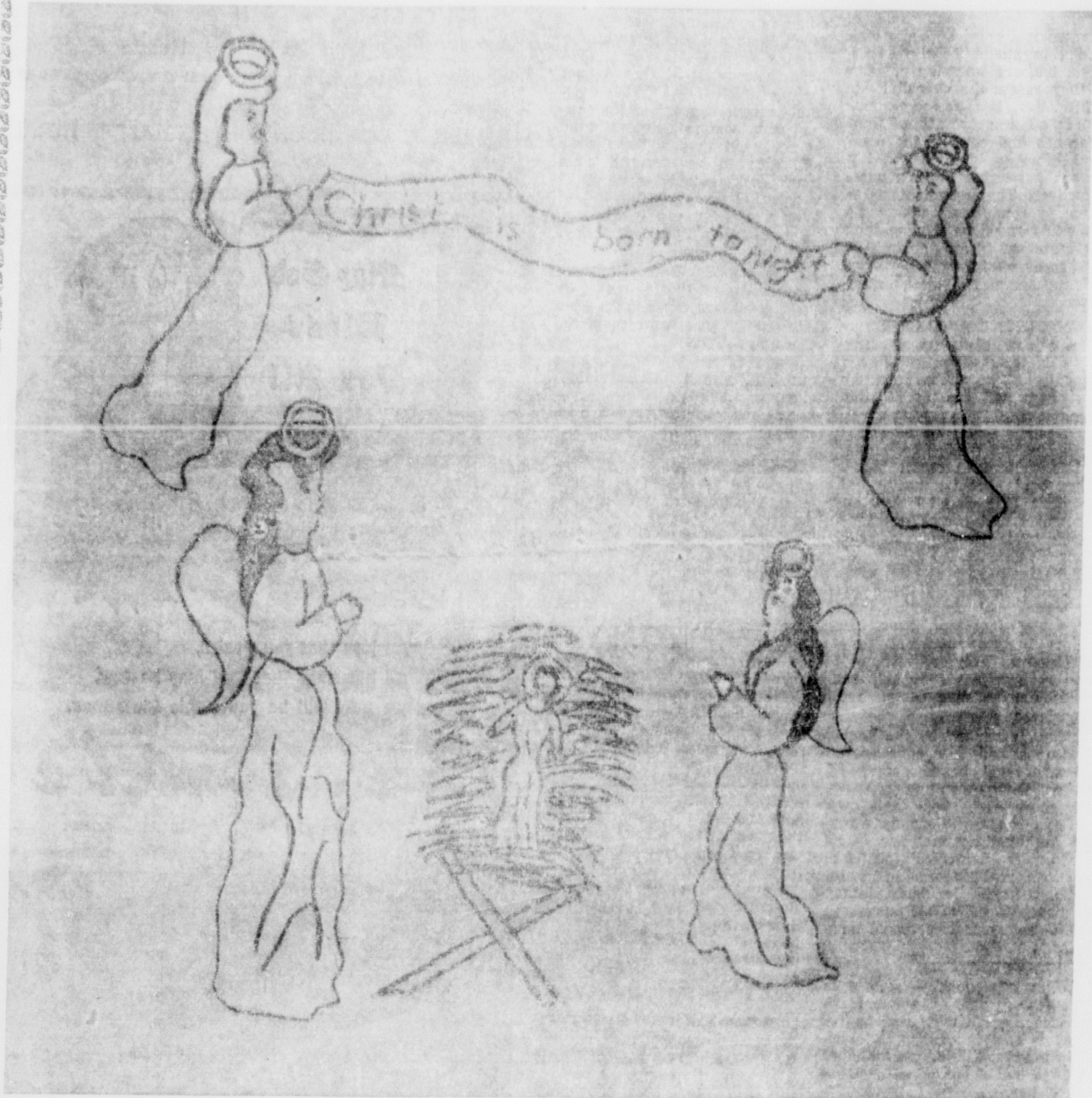
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KAREN WERNETTE—Age 9

TO OUR READERS

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Pilgrim-Breiten Vows Recited On December 7

Miss Virginia Ann Pilgrim, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Pilgrim of Natalia, and Michael Edward Breiten, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Breiten of Lytle, were united in marriage Saturday, December 7, 1963 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lytle Methodist Church. The Reverend David Robertson officiated in the double ring ceremony.

Miss Kathy Maney at the organ accompanied Miss Rosie Glowka, and Miss Marie Collins as they sang "Whither Thou Goest", and "Wedding Prayer".

The altar was centered with baskets of white gladioli, candelabra entwined with ivy. Given in marriage by her father the bride wore a chapel-length gown of Chantilly lace made with tulle ruffles edged in Alencon lace, a Sabrina neckline, petal point sleeves and ruffled Chantilly overskirt extending to a chapel train.

A crown of Chantilly lace and seed pearls held her fingertip tulle veil. She carried a large yellow-throated orchid cascaded with staphanotis.

Miss Kay Breiten, sister of the groom, served as maid of honor and Miss Linda Gardner of Devine was bridesmaid. They wore identical dresses of blue taffeta fashioned with full bouffant skirts, fitted bodices, scooped necklines and three quarter length sleeves. Their pillbox hats were made of blue taffeta and net and their pumps were of blue brocade. They carried nosegay bouquets of white gladioli with blue ribbon.

The groom's father, E. R. Breiten, served as best man. Jimmy Pilgrim of Sanderson, brother of the bride, was groomsman. Ushers were Corley Pilgrim and Wesley Breiten of Hondo.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the social hall of the church which was decorated with baskets of white gladioli. The serving table was covered in a lace cloth over blue centered with an arrangement of white gladioli. Miss Margaret Mays of Natalia presided at the bride's book.

Mrs. Pat Ragsdale and Miss Fran McFarland assisted in serving wedding cake and punch.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Pilgrim wore a suit of blue brocade with black accessories. The groom's mother wore a suit of beige brocade with black accessories. Their corsages were pink sweetheart roses.

For her going away ensemble the bride wore a royal blue two-piece suit, with black patent accessories. Her corsage was an orchid. After a trip to the Big Bend National park and other points in West Texas the bride is at home with her parents. She is employed at Kelly Air Force Base. The groom is a graduate of the Lytle high school, is now serving in the Navy and he returned to his ship, the U. S. S. Shenandoah at Norfolk, Va., on December 17.

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Pat Ragsdale and Annette, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Henry Raymond and Robert, Loudie Johnson, Darazene Tarlton, D. Irene Rocha, Robbie O. Lee, Arthur Hoening, Mrs. Jeanne Livengood, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pilgrim, and Mary, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hosen, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hooke, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney J. Blair, Mrs. J. O. Baumgardner, Mrs. H. L. Brem from San Antonio.

Also Mrs. A. C. Hawes and Bill from Pleasanton, Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Williams from Charlotte, Mrs. M. B. Self and Mr. and Mrs. Donald McLeroy and Donna from Hearne, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Breiten, Donna, Fred and Wesley Allen, Mrs. Elyhe Koch and Mrs. Amanda Saathoff from Hondo.

Others were Mr. and Mrs. Willie Gardner and Linda and Mrs. W. W. Gardner from Devine. The Natalia guests were Mrs. Claude Shaw, Miss Leona Vance, Mrs. H. C. Moses, Mrs. John Maney and Kathy, Hal Savage, Mrs. Rex Mayhew, Mrs. Carolyn Martin and Mrs. Faye Savage.

NOONAN-PEARSON

By Mrs. Louis Stein

Mary Ann Tschirhart, Maurice Haby, Jerry Holzhaus and Richard Tschirhart all enjoyed an evening of cards on Thursday with M&M Louis Stein and Leroy.

Mrs. Oscar Tschirhart and Miss Carolyn Tschirhart visited in the Albert Tschirhart home

Tony Orozco was a Devine caller Saturday.

Fred J. George, John Bouble and

Otto Naegelin all visited M&M Albert Tschirhart Friday. Mr. Tschirhart just returned home from a stay in the hospital.

M&M Leslie Tschirhart and Scott of Castroville visited Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Tschirhart Monday.

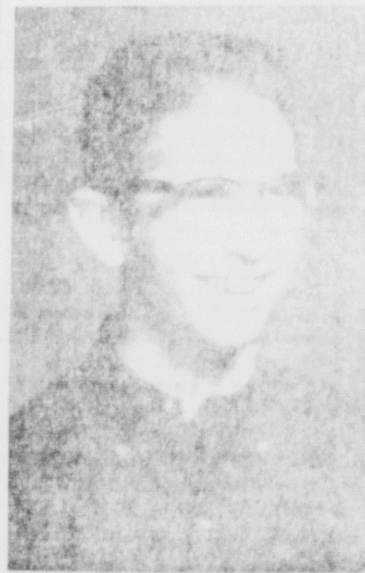
M&M Leslie Tschirhart and Scott and M&M Al Fohn, all of Castroville and Carolyn Tschirhart and Don Merrill, all of SA were guests of M&M Oscar Tschirhart Sunday.



DARRELL RIHN—Age 10

SEASON'S GREETING

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Al Rath was chosen as the F.H.A. Beau. He received this honor because he has a unique and warm personality which everyone who knows him admires. He is always cheerful and wears a big smile. Al is also an outstanding basketball player. The Hondo F.H.A. Chapter feels that Al is a warm and friendly person who deserves the title of F.H.A. Beau.

Al is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Rath. —Reporter

HOSPITAL News

Admittances:

Rachel Palomo, medical, Dec. 17.

Mrs. Melquadez Cruz, medical, Dec. 17.

Troy Lee Padgett, medical, Dec. 19.

Amos Harilee, medical, Dec. 18.

Mrs. John Wiemers, medical, Dec. 17.

Mrs. Iris Bader, medical, Dec. 21.

Fred Montgomery, medical, Dec. 19.

Mrs. Rosa Graff, medical, Dec. 18.

Mrs. Frank Alvarez, spider bite, Dec. 23.

Albert Mangold, accident, Dec. 22.

Melissa Dominguez, medical, Dec. 21.

Jo Anna Leinweber, medical, Dec. 20.

New babies:

Jerry R., to M&M Ruben G. Alvarado of Hondo on Dec. 16.

7 lbs., 6 ozs.

Jose Martin, to M&M Manuel Lopez III of Devine on Dec. 17.

7 lbs., 15 ozs.

Michael Patrick, to Mr. and Mrs. Jose M. Mendez of Natalia on Dec. 18.

7 lbs., 2 ozs.

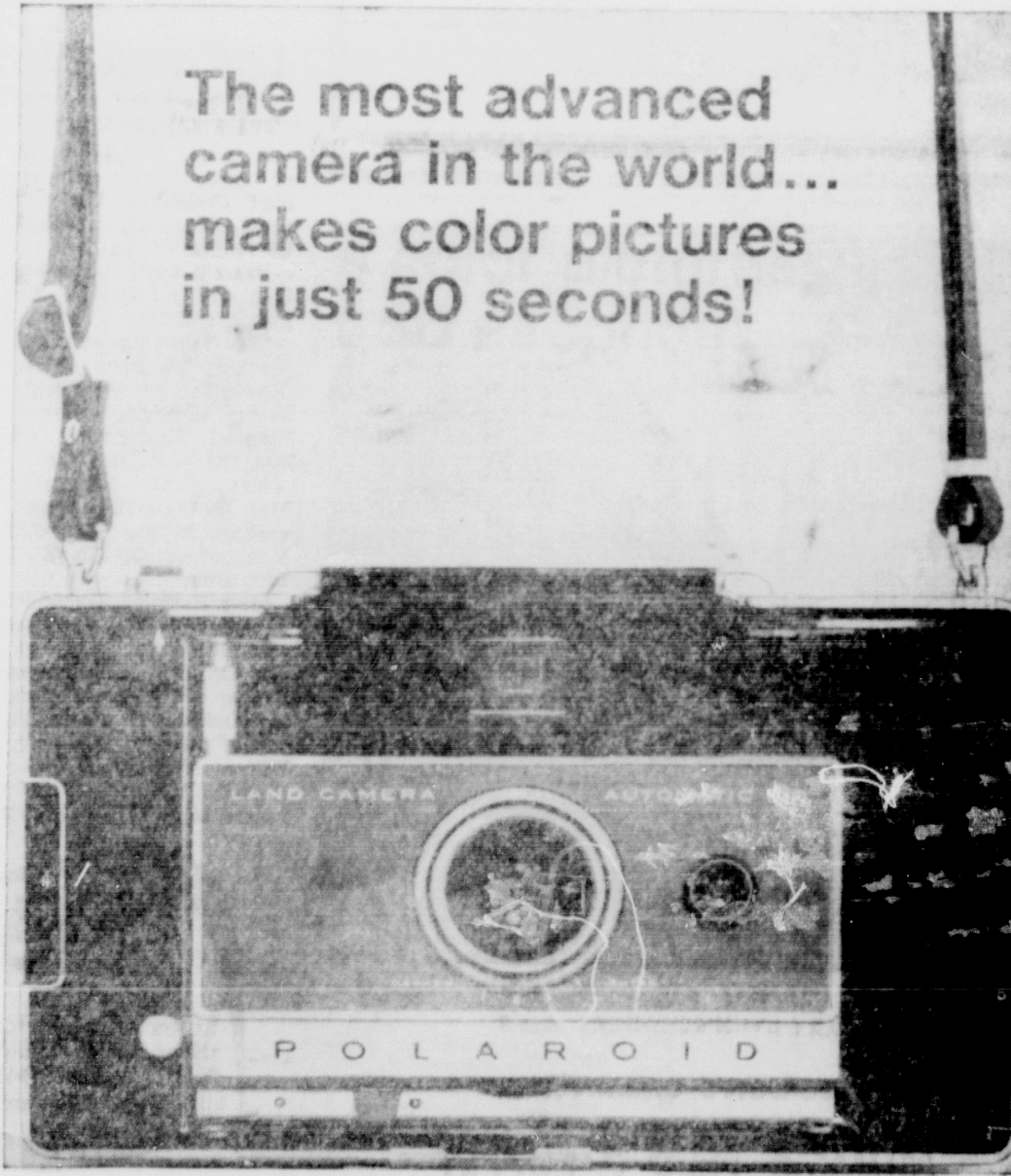
Girl, to M&M Ramon A. Villarreal of Natalia on Dec. 20.

5 lbs.

Bobby M., to M&M Reyes E. Jimenez of Lytle on Dec. 22.

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STAR OF CHRISTMAS RAISED AT METHODIST HOME



Boys of the Methodist Home in Waco, Texas, place a huge 70 pound Star of Christmas on the steeple of the Harrell Memorial Chapel. The Star was made by the children in their vocational training shop. The light of the star will illumine the children to special worship services on Christmas Eve. Four hundred fifty children live in cottages providing a home-like atmosphere. Christian teachings are emphasized at the Home in its program of providing hope for the future for boys and girls separated from their families by death, poverty, or other misfortunes. Since the Methodist Home was founded over 73 years ago over 8,600 children have come under its care. The Home is supported by Methodists in Texas and New Mexico.

Medina County Garden News

By Mrs. Paul Reily

One of the Christmas customs among many gardeners is to try to send along with guests some bit of plants from our wonderful County.

It is surprising how many miles some of these plants travel on homeward journeys, and how much they are treasured as happy reminders of the Christmas season and the person who gave them. We know of bluebonnets on the East Coast, roses in the far West and a queen's crown that is a little indoor pot plant near Canada.

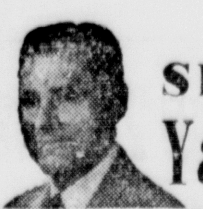
If you have never started the custom of planting something each Christmas season, by all means try it this year. In the few days before the New Year begins, there is an enchanting variety of plants and bulbs available at very low prices. Many of our out-of-town guests have enjoyed going to nurseries and garden centers with us. Now is one of the best times.

Poinsettias in white or pink, as well as the single and double red, can sometimes be found. 'Mums' in many new and beautiful colors are plentiful. Perhaps most inviting of all are hundreds of bulbs in good condition. This is still a good time to plant bulbs in Medina County for a later blooming season. Pennies invested in some of the choice kinds of bulbs can give a life time of beauty.

The tulips that you buy now still need to be refrigerated a few weeks and if you plant them by Valentine Day, you will probably be thrilled with their blooms in early April. We tried this last year and enjoyed our late tulips as much as those we planted at Christmas.

"Flowers and fruits are always fit presents; flowers, because they are a proud assertion that a ray of beauty outvalues all the utilities of the world."

—Emerson



SENATOR ☆☆☆ Yarborough's Report

By Senator Ralph Yarborough Friends and Fellow Texans:

We come to the Yuletide Season in a year marked by the tragedy of the century in the loss of President Kennedy. The sense of loss as this year draws to a close is deep and abiding. Yet due in part to his brilliant leadership, the Congress this year will be able to point with pride to one of its proudest years in the enactment of education bills in which he was so vitally interested.

We have passed a higher education bill of \$1.2 billion over a five-year period in loans and grants to build classrooms, libraries, laboratories for our colleges and universities. President Kennedy actively supported education bills during his eight years in the Senate in all of which he was on the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee, and later as Chief Executive. It was my privilege to be co-author of this most recent college-aid bill when it was first introduced in the Senate. This first Session of the 88th

Congress also passed three other education bills soon to be signed into law strengthening and expanding vocational education, extending the National Defense Education Act, increasing funds for student loans to colleges and universities and extending the law granting federal aid to school districts with a heavy percentage of children from homes of federal employees, including military personnel.

Looking back on 1963, the nuclear test-ban treaty, a step toward peace, a step back from nuclear armament of the world may well be the achievement for which the Senate of the 88th Congress will be longest remembered. This too was guided by President Kennedy. If peace prevails, if we have lasting "Peace on Earth — Good Will Toward Men," this crucial treaty may well be the noblest monument of all to President Kennedy.

The Peace Corps was another accomplishment in the direction of good will among the people of the world, as dedicated young people took the American message of peace and good will and service to all mankind.

In this Christmas season when we look back 200 years to the Messenger of Peace and Good Will, when we reflect on how long civilization has sought peace and how difficult has been the quest — when we recall, as I have said before, that the quest for peace was President Kennedy's Holy Grail, we must resolve also to make it ours.

May God bless you and keep you and your families and may 1964 find us marching together to solve the great problems of health, fruitful employment, education, advancement of liberties for all mankind.

Noonan-Pearson

By Mrs. Louis Stein M&M Ernest Gonnert visited M&M Tony Orozco Sunday. M&M Ben Peterson of SA visited M&M Albert Tschirhart on Sunday.

SERMON TOPICS

Sermon topics at the First Baptist Church on Sunday were announced by Rev. E. C. Brunson. They are: 10:35 a.m. — "Utilizing Your Christmas Gift" 7:30 p.m. — Student Night Program.

HERE IN HONDO

Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Sandusky have returned from a conference of veterinarians held in Lexington, Kentucky. The discussions concerned problems of horses.

QUIHILLA TO MEET

Mrs. Alfred Saathoff announces that the Quihilla Lutheran Ladies Aid meeting will be held at two o'clock Wednesday afternoon, January 8, instead of on January first as originally planned.

Social Security Questions and Answers

QUESTION: I am a retired school teacher and do substitute work when they call me. I try to hold my earnings to \$100 a month but some months I have a chance to make more money. Must I report to the Social Security Administration when I run over \$100 or should I wait until the end of the year?

ANSWER: It is best to report when you run over \$100 in a month so that your social security benefits can be suspended. Then, report again when you are not making over \$100 a month. In this way you will be getting your social security benefits when your earnings amount to \$100 or less in a month and you need your social security benefits more. It is better to have social security payments suspended during the year instead of having to refund a substantial amount at the end of the year, or have your benefits suspended the following year when you may not be working. Of course, if only a small amount of money or \$1200 is earned, the adjustment can be made at the end of the year when you file your annual report with the Social Security Administration.

*** We Invite All Our Friends To BE OUR GUESTS! ***

On New Year's Day, January 1, 1964 Falstaff will sponsor the Cotton Bowl Parade on the CBS Television Network. The parade will originate from the Texas State Fairgrounds in Dallas at 10:00 to 10:45 a.m., preceding the Cotton Bowl Football Game between Texas and Navy. Hosting the CBS Parade coverage will be Chris Schenkel, CBS Sports Commentator and Mary Anne Mobley, Miss America of 1960.

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Black-eye Peas Mean Good Luck?

There's good luck in store for you in 1964, if luck can be measured by the ample supplies of black-eye peas.

According to tradition and folklore, black-eye peas have to be eaten on the first day of the New Year, if you want to have good luck throughout the year. There are ample supplies available of dried, canned and frozen peas, says the Agricultural Marketing Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

It may be wise to dine on good luck this New Year's, since 1964 is Leap Year, and an extra day of good fortune may be needed. For every pea you eat on New Year's Day, you can expect to earn a dollar to match it during the coming year, according to folklorists.

Some folklore authorities claim the custom of eating black-eye peas hinges on the superstition that those who eat them show their humility and save themselves from the wrath of the heavens because of the vanity they have. The peas were first grown in the South prior to the Civil War, and the tradition most likely started there, according to another theory. After the war, many Southern families had only hog jowl, black-eye peas and cornbread for holiday feasting — and any luck they had in the new year was jokingly attributed to the humble fare.

The added pork flavor of hog jowl makes the black-eye peas especially tasty.

Another good reason for eating black-eye peas on New Year's Day — or any other day — is that they're nutritious. Extension Service foods and nutrition specialists say. Their high protein content makes them good extenders for such main course dishes as meat, fish, eggs and cheese.

MISTLETOE

Though customs and legends have evolved and changed through the centuries, the mistletoe remains a familiar symbol of Christmas time.

Mistletoe was believed to be a gift of the gods because birds could be seen carrying it to earth in their beaks. The Christmas greenery, whose white berries signified Christ's pure life, has always been a sign of peace and hope.

Roman soldiers, meeting enemy armies under mistletoe, lay down their weapons and declared a truce until the next day. They believed that no hatred, only love, could exist under this greenery.

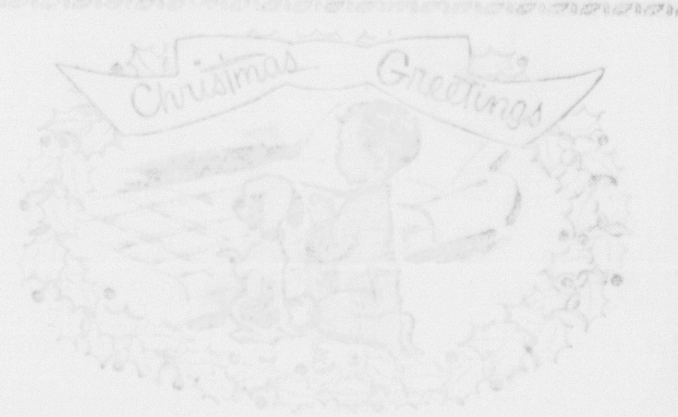
The Druids in England believed mistletoe to be sacred, symbolic of the link between Heaven and earth, so it must never touch the ground. They sacrificed white bulls and even humans when cutting it. And men holding sheets of pure white cloth, under the tree, was in

surance that none of the plant touched the ground.

There is a legend which says the mistletoe used to be a large tree, like the oak. But Christ's cross was made of this mistletoe wood and after His death it was so ashamed of its part in the Crucifixion that it shrank and shrank until it became only a other trees for the rest of time.

One custom of mistletoe which started centuries ago and has come down to modern time is the sight of a young man holding mistletoe over the head of a girl so he may rightfully claim a kiss from her.

The mistletoe, which means "all heal" was believed by the Druids to have magic powers to protect those who owned it from witchcraft, heal disease, neutralize poisons and bestow fertility. Feeding a betrothal with a kiss beneath the mistletoe assured a couple of all blessings and a lifetime of happiness.



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REGULAR MEETINGS

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to all who helped during the sickness and death of our beloved Katherine Brucks. The cards, gifts, flowers, food and blood donations were deeply appreciated. Our thanks to Rev. Durkop, the organist and choir and the beautiful floral offerings. All expressions of sympathy and kindness will always be remembered.

Marion Brucks
Mrs. August Brucks
Uncles and Aunts
(1tp52)

Record Time

We're approaching that time of the year when you'll start riffling through stacks of old checks, receipts, statements, etc., to see what you can do to whittle down your income tax.

If you're like the average Texan, the record-sorting will be quite a chore, for most people overlook the advantages of a simple record-keeping system.

Used to be a family's important data was confined to the flyleaf of the family Bible. But life's gotten complicated since then.

Now you need to keep track of birth certificates, insurance policies, social security, income tax matters, automobile titles, etc. You can make life easier for yourself, and your family when you are gone, if you follow a few simple rules in setting up your do-it-yourself record system.

1. Get a heavily bound notebook folder or file folder as a central collecting point for all the records of your affairs.
2. Put your especially important papers in your safe deposit box, but make a list of those papers and a brief summary of their contents to put in your home file.

3. Get for your files copies of birth certificates for all members of the family. Add your marriage license or at least a statement as to when and where you were married and by whom.
4. Insert your will or a copy of it. If your will is kept elsewhere, include a note telling where it may be found.

5. During the year, put into the file your income tax withholding statements and receipts for expenditures which may be deductible. Then keep a copy of each year's tax return in the file.

6. Make a list of all the stocks and bonds you own and where they are.

7. List all the places you have lived and worked and the names of persons there who you know. Include the schools you have attended and the dates you left or were graduated.

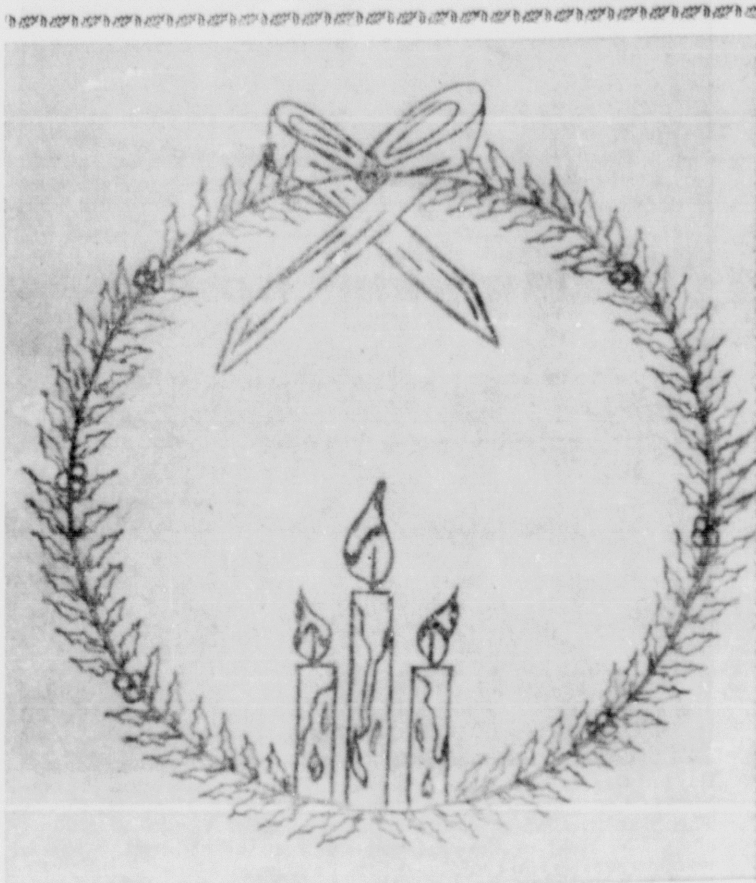
8. If you may have benefits coming under a profit-sharing plan where you work, make a note of that too.

9. If you're in doubt about whether an item should be included, put it in. This takes time initially, but it will save you both time and worry in the long run.

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ADD CHRISTMAS LOVE AND SERVE GENEROUSLY

By Edna Gray McDade

Whatever your favorite Christmas recipe is, its basic ingredient should be love.

To this, add a liberal measure of memories from as many Christmases as your own years can recall, stir generously, and serve while still warm. Of such food is a family's storehouse of personal memories filled.

From this abundance the individual members will draw strength and reassurance for times of special need; perhaps, even, of peculiar hunger. For memories are the stuff of which the strongest ties that bind families are made.

Of all the holidays, Christmas is the one most filled with remembrance. It brings into sharp focus the tenderness of shared intimacy; recalls echoes of familiar voices and laughter; flashes mental images of beloved faces; recalls the past to meet the present; breathes a silent prayer for the future.

However nostalgic, these memories are sweet and forever dear. They are part and parcel of a heritage to be handed down through the years. They are made for family sharing.

And, as many a Christmas recipe says, "they keep well if properly stored."

How To Keep Christmas

"Are you willing," wrote Henry Van Dyke, "to forget what you have done for other people, and to remember what other people have done for you . . . to ignore what the world owes you, and to think what you owe the world . . . to see that your fellow men are just as real as you are, and to try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for joy . . . to close your book of complaints against the management of the universe, and look around for a place where you can sow a few seeds of happiness . . . are you willing to do these things, even for a day?"

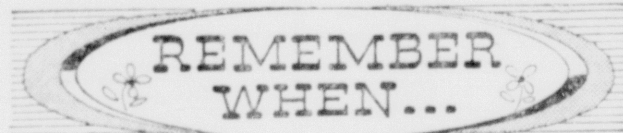
"Then you can keep Christmas. Are

you willing to stoop down and consider needs and desires of little children . . . to remember weakness and loneliness of people who are growing old . . . to stop asking how much your friends love you, and ask yourself whether you love them enough?"

"Are you willing to believe that love is the strongest thing in the world . . . that the blessed life which began in Bethlehem is the image and brightness of the Eternal Love? Then, you can keep Christmas! And, if you keep it for a day, why not always? But you can never keep it alone."



"Opportunity doesn't knock these days. It rings the telephone and asks silly questions."



10 Years Ago — 1953

The local game warden estimated that so far this season 2,000 deer have been killed in Medina County. Perhaps 1948 with a total of 3,200 deer was the biggest to date.

20 Years Ago — 1943

The County agent reminds us that the U. S. Government has called for all available deer-skins, and feathers and down from ducks and other wild birds. These items will be used to make jackets, gloves, and sleeping bags for our fighting men.

30 Years Ago — 1933

Eighty-five teachers from the rural and independent school districts held an institute session at D'Hanis on Dec. 16. Professor J. Gordon Barry, superin-

tendent of Hondo High School, was the director general.

The Hondo Chamber of Commerce is meeting this week to formulate plans for street lighting service and to employ a night watchman for the coming year. Both projects are services for our welfare.

40 Years Ago — 1923

Beef is selling at 20 cents a pound but, as it is available the year round, now is a good time to buy turkey. Turkeys weighing from 8 pounds and up are going at 20 cents a pound and would make fine holiday eating.

As not everyone got around to mailing or printing their Christmas greetings, they may now wish all a Happy New Year.

50 Years Ago — 1913

An inspector from the State University was so favorably impressed with the work being done in our Hondo High School that he advised Supt. Harris to make application for its affiliation as a preparatory school for University admission.

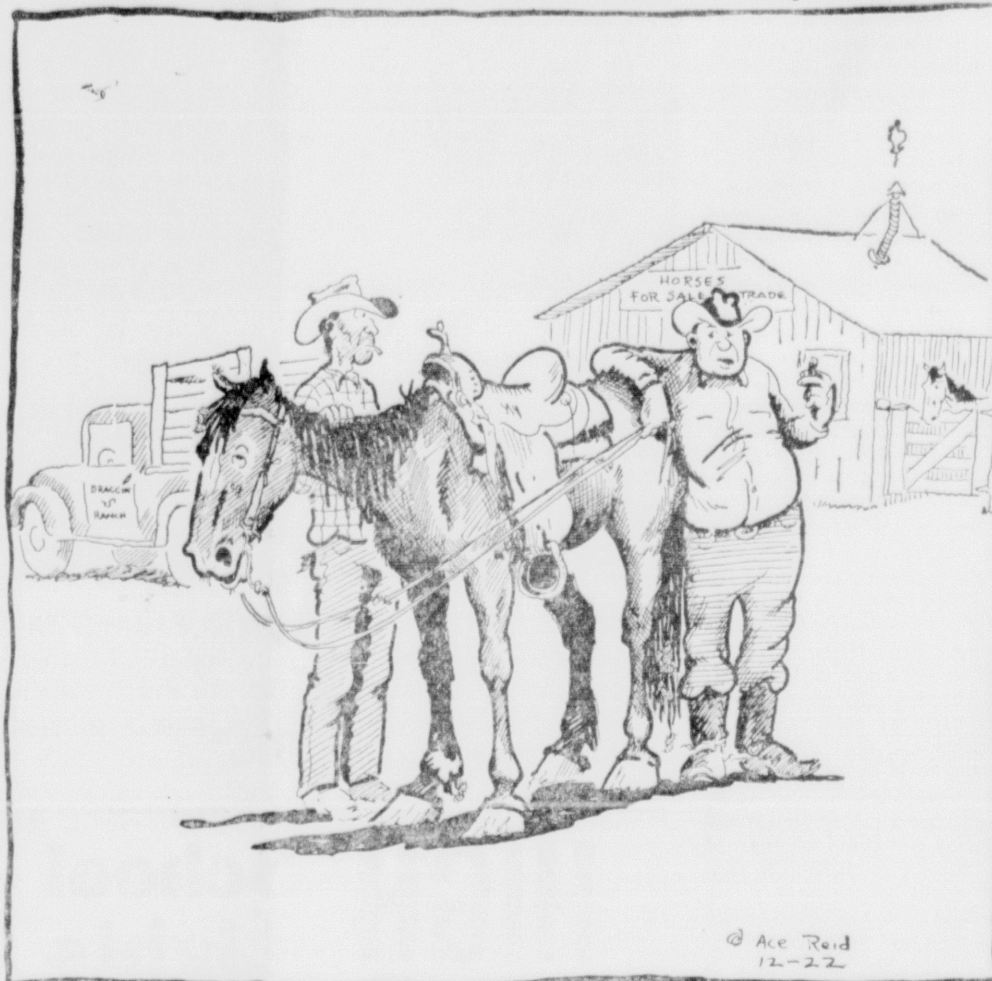
The present tariff on wool is approximately 11 cents per pound. The proposed schedule under consideration by Congress to put wool on the free list is of interest to the sheep growers of Medina County.

Here In Hondo

Highway patrolman Harold E. Baecker and Mrs. Baecker will have as their house guests for the holidays their parents, brothers, and sisters, M&M Edward Baecker, Glen and Nancy; Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Vickery, Belinda and Dennis, all of Goliad.

COW POKES

By Ace Reid



"Before we git down to this hoss's fine qualities, jist what qualities you wantin'?"

Happy Birthday

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Mrs. Jim Squires
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Darlene Boheme
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Rhonda Sue Graff
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December 31

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Norman Zapada
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SECO PHILOSOPHER FLIPPED

His Calendar And Is Ready For '64 With Misgivings

Editor's note: The Seco Philosopher on his Johnson grass farm has caught up with the times, his letter this week indicates.

Dear editor:

I knew it was Christmas, television doesn't play Jingle Bells in July, but I thought it was Christmas 1962. I never got around to changing calendars.

In this connection, I was talking with a man who had something of the same feeling, that the years are sailing by so fast he can't keep track of them, and he was arguing we ought to hold Christmas only every other year, to give a man time to catch his breath between seasons, but he won't get anywhere with the idea.

At any rate, I tore off my calendar, brought the year up to 1963, and while I was at it I flipped a page and got on into 1964. You're not going to catch me napping, and besides, why waste energy tearing off a year at a time when you can get two with the same effort?

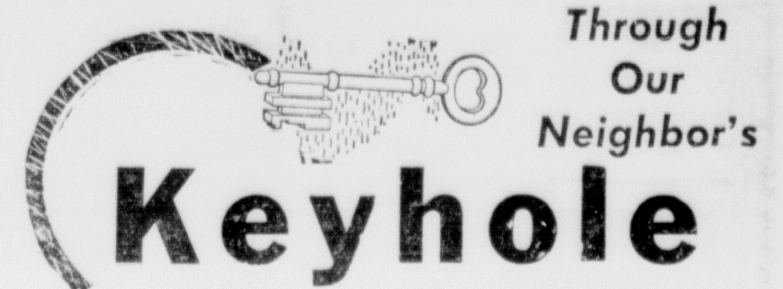
I have no idea what the new year holds for me, but that isn't surprising as I haven't found out yet for sure what happened in 1963. I know we have better communications but it doesn't help much, about all television does is multiply the number of crises you're aware of. The number of trouble spots on earth probably hasn't in-

creased, what television does is baffle you with four a week instead of the old system of one a month. Seeing may be believing but it's a long way from understanding.

However this doesn't bother me. A man who had to wait for television to find out how much there is around him he can't figure out, just wasn't looking in the first place. I don't know why I should be expected to understand what's going on in the rest of the world when I'm not sure what's taking place on this Johnson grass farm.

At any rate, what's coming up in 1964 is bound to be interesting, and I intend to be on hand to misunderstand it.

Yours faithfully,
J. A.



PEARSALL

Among the winners in the Christmas parade held here earlier this month, first place in the Chamber of Commerce section went to Natalia for their float called "Santa's Workshop Around the World".

WELLINGTON

The warmth of the old-fashioned Christmas spirit will come back for many in the north part of Collingsworth County this year when the Samnorwood Lions Club stages its community tree, with a program and distribution of gifts by Santa. To make it truly a community celebration, each Lion will be responsible for bringing someone who does not have transportation. Special attention will be given to elderly people and to the children in the entire school district.

GOLDTHWAITE

In a seasonal industry in this area, locally employed people gathered and shipped some 600, 000 packages of mistletoe across the nation. The project is expected to bring in around \$10, 000 this year.

NEW BRAUNFELS

This week, the young people of the First Protestant United Church of Christ are presenting a living Nativity scene, with narration, three times nightly. The Christmas story is told in words, music, and drama in a portrayal that lasts 20 minutes for each performance. The program has been well attended.

SCHULENBURG

Local residents whose homes are on Eilers Street erected Christmas card scene decorations in their front yards and renamed their street "Christmas Card Lane" for the duration of the holidays. They plan to make it an annual custom.

EDNA

The Edna Volunteer Fire Department has made plans to entertain about 500 children from all over Jackson County at their annual Christmas tree party on Christmas eve at the local fire station. Santa always attends in person to distribute candy and fruits to all the young guests.

CARRIZO SPRINGS

As their community Christmas project, the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Sunday School Department presented a live pageant of the Nativity of Our

Lord. The program was performed continually for one hour on the church lawn on the evening of December 22.

FREDERICKSBURG

Officers and directors of the Fredericksburg Chamber of Commerce and approximately 1500 Gillespie County citizens sent the longest single telegram ever dispatched by the local office, to President Lyndon B. Johnson and his family. It was a Christmas greeting of good wishes to the Johnsons and it contained 3,280 words.

SAN MARCOS

Members of the local Air Force ROTC unit joined in an "Angel Flight" to collect toys, food, and gifts for less fortunate San Marcos families at Christmas. More than 200 young people participated in the drive.

ROCKDALE

More than 150 junior high students from the sixth, seventh, and eighth grades presented their annual Christmas pageant which re-tells the story of the birth of the Christ child. Mothers of the group made all the costumes and the colorful scenery was prepared by an ex-graduate.

MATADOR

Although participants and spectators shivered in below-30 weather last Saturday, the big Christmas parade headed by Santa's helpers and including including bands and floats made the downtown circuit on schedule as planned. An outstanding float called "Christ is Christmas" was entered by the MYF group of the local Methodist church.

AUSTIN

A few days ago several thousand packets of Texas bluebonnet seeds were mailed to citizens over the state as a Christmas greeting from Governor John Connally. Instructions for planting were included and a message from the Governor suggested that the seeds be planted now to present a more beautiful landscape to greet visitors to Texas this coming spring.

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A BISHOP LOOKS at LIFE

By Everett H. Jones,
of West Texas

The Light Still Shines

A revealing insight into the meaning of Christmas is given in the New Testament translation by Dr. Edgar Johnson Goodspeed: "The light is still shining in the darkness, for the darkness has never put it out." (St. John 1:5)

We cannot deny the reality of darkness in the world. It was true in Jesus' time. Mary and Joseph were in Bethlehem because of the demands of the Roman Empire, which was founded on force and the extraction of heavy taxes. Herod, who ruled over Palestine, was a debased man who had been married ten times and who did not hesitate to kill countless innocent children in the hope of killing the Christ Child. Such darkness surrounded Jesus throughout His life and finally closed in on Him at the cross of Calvary.

There is still much darkness in the world. We still face the dark facts of sin, illness, tragedy, and death. Good men suffer, and evil men seem to prosper. Violence breaks out even in the midst of what we call our Christian civilization, and there are those who scoff at law and order. Fear and hatred still raise their ugly heads, and the world trembles at intervals in fear of nuclear war and universal destruction.

What does it mean, then, when we say that the light is still shining in the darkness? It means that all the forces of evil have not been able to put out the light of God which came into the world in Jesus the Christ. It means that God is more powerful than the Devil, and that Hell cannot overcome Heaven. It means that God is present even in the darkness, to give men the light they need to live by and to give them hope. It means that in Christ God came into His world holding out a hand to His children that they might walk through the darkness with a prayer on their lips and a song in their hearts.

HERE IN HONDO

Miss Georgia Ruth Braden is home from SWTJC at Uvalde to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, M&M G. O. Braden.



HIGHWAY PATROLMAN HAROLD E. BAECKER found time when off duty to account for the 11-point buck shown here. Downed on the Al Rehm ranch near Sabinal, the deer weighed 130 pounds, dressed, and its antlers had a 20-inch spread.

HIGH School Lights

By Eddie Berger

THE BAND CONCERT

Last Friday night in the Hondo High School gym, the Hondo Owl band presented a Christmas concert. Led by band director Ernest Graw, the band performed under the light of the Christmas tree on the stage. The audience obviously enjoyed the band's performance as the musicians wound their way through their program. The audience seemed to like best of all their versions of "Jingle Bells Rhapsody", "O Holy Night", and "Sleigh Ride".

Also on the program was a choir made up of band members and other high school students. They performed two numbers.

The first one, "Lift Up Your Heads" was played with band accompaniment. The second number, however, was sung by the choir alone. It was "Carol of the Bells", better known to some as "Ukrainian Carol" or "Ring, Christmas Bells".

Of course, no concert is complete without an encore. For this the band played Leroy Anderson's "Syncopated Clock". The band had worked very hard on this number, and the audience highly approved of the results. For Mr. Graw, however, there was still more to come, though he did not know it at the time. The band students took up a collection and bought him a handsome green sweater. Faye Jean Wiemers, band president, presented him with the gift.

Natalia and Chacon Lake

By Mrs. I. W. Thompson

Mrs. Annie Lou Miller went to Houston Wednesday to visit her son and family, the John W. Millers.

M&M R. W. Crawford went to Corpus Christi Saturday for the weekend with their daughter and family, M&M Herschel Smith, Linda and Bret.

M&M Wesley Robbins entertained their guest, Miss Sharon Goodwin, from Texas University, with a party in their home Saturday night. Dips, soft drinks and coffee were served to ten guests.

Mrs. Walter H. Lessing accompanied her son, Michael to SA Thursday for medical tests and treatment.

M&M B. M. Estes and son, Tommy went to Corpus Christi on business Friday morning. They also visited their daughter, Mrs. Julie Arnold and her daughters, Sheri and Laurie.

Mr. Fred Behrens spent Sunday with M&M Fred Barham. He accompanied his wife home after she had spent several days with her sister and brother-in-law.

Mrs. Marion Rodgers went to SA Tuesday to visit Mrs. Edward Schular who is convalescing from major surgery at the Santa Rosa hospital.

M&M A. H. Stephens, Doreen, Sharon and Hoyt Jr. from SA and M&M Albert Stephens from Devine had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Davis Sunday and helped Mrs. Davis celebrate her birthday. Mrs. Davis is Mrs. A. H. Stephens' mother.

M&M Marvin Thannish and children, Fayette, Fonda and Neil arrived home Sunday night after spending the week at Harrison, Ark., visiting his father, R. G. Thannish.

H. V. NEEDLE CLUB

The home of Mrs. Leonard Bippert of LaCoste, was the scene for the Happy Valley Needle Club annual Christmas party Wednesday afternoon, December 18, 1963. Fourteen members attended. Mrs. George E. Pentecost gave a Christmas reading, "The Other Wise Men". Mrs. Glenn Morris led the group in a stanza of "Silent Night". As guests arrived they placed their secret pal and exchanged gifts under the Christmas tree.

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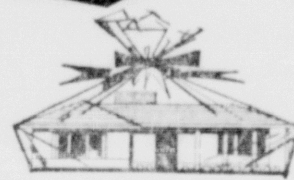
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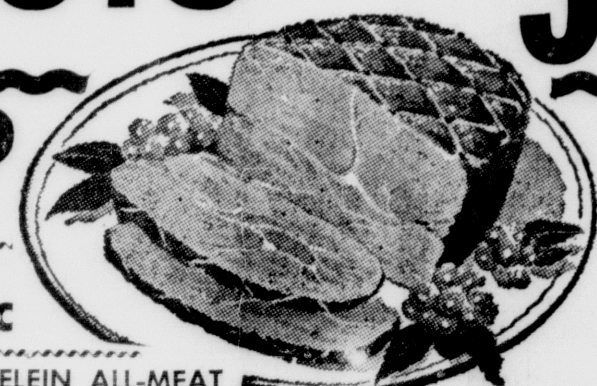
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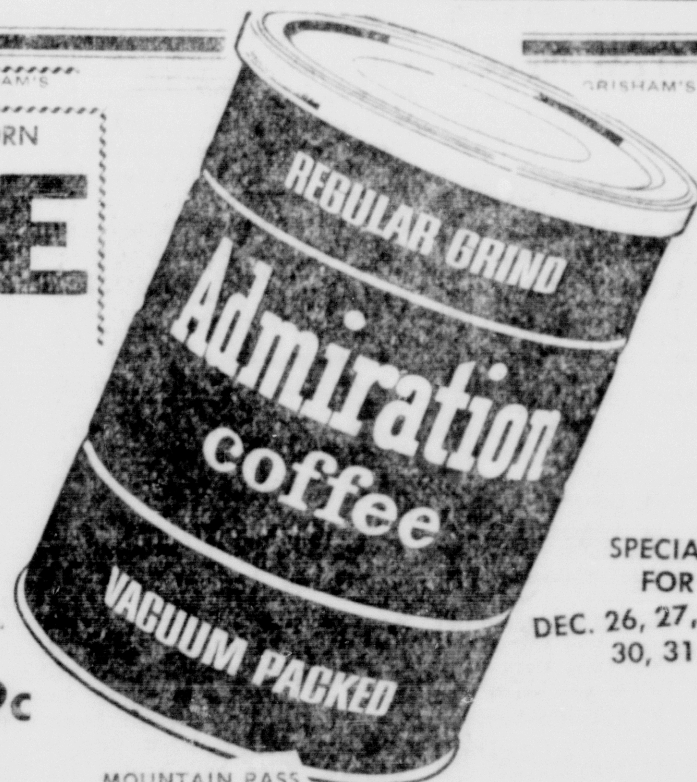
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Natalia & Chacon News

By Mrs. I. W. Thompson

M&M Dwayne Redus and sons Bobby and Joe Mark left for Olney to spend the holidays with her parents, M&M Earl Perkins.

Rev. and Mrs. Paul Porter of SA were guest speakers at the brotherhood and WMU meeting that was held at the Natalia Baptist Church Monday night. They showed slides of their work in Brazil when they were there as missionaries. Refreshments were served to approximately 25 people.

The Natalia Baptist Church was host Tuesday, Dec. 17, to the Frio River district 6, workers conference. Mr. Lloyd

Barnes, from Nashville, Tenn., audio-visual education consultant for the Sunday School board was guest speaker. The women of the WMU prepared and served the food.

M&M C. B. Pilgrim entertained their daughter and son-in-law, M&M Michael Edward Breiten with an early Christmas dinner in their home Sunday before Mrs. Breiten left for his ship at Norfolk Va on Tuesday night. Guests were the honorees and their parents, M&M E. R. Breiten and children, Kay, David, April, Gayle, Ann and Sandra, their son and family, M&M C. T. Pilgrim, Kim and Karen, Mrs. O. H. Pilgrim from Lytle, Miss Linda Gardner from Devine, and their son, Jimmy Pilgrim from Sanderson.

Mrs. Lewis E. Bendele and Katherine left Friday morning for the weekend at Houston with her sister, Mrs. E. J. Novotny.

M&M Roger Kelly and son, Bill, from Bronte came Wednesday for Mrs. Kelly and son to visit her parents while Mr. Kelly is attending school. He will be in Austin for a month of special training for his job in SA. They spent the weekend at Kurns City visiting his sister and family, the C. R. Kitchens. Upon returning to the Rices' home Sunday evening, Mr. Kelly left for Austin to resume his schooling on Monday.

Mesdames B. J. Robbins, Wesley Robbins, Glenn Morris, W. L. Davis, Donald Correu, Ray Brauchle and J. R. Bower attended the Home demonstration county Christmas party and turkey dinner that was held in the Methodist Church annex in Hondo Monday, Dec. 9.

M&M H. B. Foulds had as their weekend guests his parents, M&M George Foulds from SA.

M&M Oscar Frick have as their holiday guests their son, Aze Thomas K. Frick who arrived Saturday from Savannah, Ga.

Mr. Rubel Paul Farmer, business teacher, entertained the senior business class of the Natalia High School with a party at his apartment Saturday night. Cake and punch were served to approximately 20 guests.

Miss Janice Richardson was released from the Santa Rosa Hospital Friday after having had surgery on Monday.

Deauwayne Hamilton from Alice came Saturday for the weekend with his parents, M&M L. R. Hamilton and with M&M Loyd L. Putman. He also put in some time at Coyote on a deer hunt.

The Natalia Junior high school girls won second place in the basketball tournament at Southwest Saturday night. The high school boys won consolation in the basketball tournament at Devine Saturday night.

M&M Leon Pringle and granddaughters, Lou Ann and Virginia Duncan from Charlotte came Sunday for the day with her brother and family, the Marion Rodgers.

After a social hour, Mrs. A. W. Bongers assisted by other members handed out the gifts.

The next meeting will be a covered dish luncheon January 8, 1964 in the home of Mrs. I. W. Thompson. Officers will be elected for the ensuing year during the regular meeting in the afternoon.

Altar Society Elects Officers

Members of St. John's Altar Society met at the Parish Hall for their December meeting and Christmas Party on Monday evening, December 16, at 7:30. The Reverend H. J. Ehlinger and the Rev. Maurice Breen were present.

Elected as officers for 1964 were Mrs. Elmer Bader, president; Mrs. Freddie De Grodt, vice-president; Mrs. Oscar Rohrbach, secretary, and Mrs. Maurice Lutz, treasurer.

Mrs. Jagge, president of the society, thanked members for their cooperation during the past year and asked them to continue the good work with the new officers in 1964.

A social hour followed the meeting, when gifts were exchanged and canned goods were brought for the needy.

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MR. and MRS. JAKE SCHUEHLE of Hondo have just returned from a trip to Mexico City and Acapulco, Mexico. Mr. Schuehle is a Director of the Houston District Ford Dealers Advertising Association and was in Mexico to attend the Directors' year-end meeting. Pictured above are Mr. and Mrs. Schuehle as Mr. Schuehle tries on a typical Mexican "charro sombrero".


Mrs. R. Koch Hostess To Martha Club

The monthly meeting and the Christmas party of the Martha Club, St. Rose Household No. 662, was held Thursday night, December 12 at 7:30 in the home of Mrs. Raymond Koch. Her daughters, Alleen and Mona were co-hostesses.

Mrs. Koch who had just returned home from the hospital, was presented with a gift from the members. There were twenty-one members present and each brought a new toy for the needy children's Christmas box. The hostess served refreshments of fruit cake, assorted cookies, nuts and candies, with coffee.

The table was covered with a green Christmas cloth and the centerpiece was a statue of St. Francis of Assisi surrounded by greenery and lighted candles. The Christmas motif was used through the house.

Later, the group joined in singing Christmas carols which were led by Evelyn Boon and Irene Rath.



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Court House Holds Yule Party

The courthouse employees held their annual Christmas party, Thursday afternoon, December 19. The tax collector's office was host this year to 22 employees and several guests.

County officials were invited, and all came.

The girls formed a glee club for the occasion and sang carols. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served.

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K. HAEGELIN INITIATED INTO KAPPA PI SIGMA

Miss Kathy Haegelin has been initiated into Kappa Pi Sigma honor fraternity in business administration, at Our Lady of the Lake College. She is program chairman of the fraternity.

A junior at Our Lady of the Lake, she is majoring in business administration.

Miss Haegelin is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert A. Haegelin, 2507 Avenue K.

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Castroville News

By Ruth Lawler

LIBRARY NEWS

The Castroville Public Library is enjoying a Christmas vacation. It will be closed on December 19, and 24, but will reopen on the 28 at the usual hour.

Mrs. A. A. Murrell and Ruth Lawler attended the San Antonio Symphony Concert Sunday afternoon. The soloist, young James Mathis, was enthusiastically received by the audience.

The Home Demonstration Club held its annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Sammy Tschirhart, December 5, with 22 members, County HD Agent, Mrs. Estella Strayhorn, and one guest, Miss Ruth Lawler, present. The group played games and then had a visit from Santa Claus. "Secret Sisters" were revealed, and names were drawn for the coming Club year. Each guest received a purse-size holder for tissues that was made by the hostess, who also made the games prizes. Refreshments of Christmas cookies, coffee and hot punch were served.

Mrs. Walter Etter, chairman of the Christmas Lighting Contest sponsored jointly by the City and the Castro Garden Club announced the winners in the Contest Friday morning and presented them with potted plants as prizes. There were 27 entries registered.

Winners included M&M Oscar Suehs, 1st place; Miss Barbara Tondre, 2nd place, in the Religious Window category; Mrs. Alex Lieck, 1st place, non-religious window.

Outdoor religious scene, Mrs. Clovis Boehme, 1st; St. Louis High School Seniors, 2nd; Tere-so Aguirre, 3rd; and Robert Bayer, honorable mention. Outdoor non-religious scene, Mrs. David Beck, 1st; M&M Adolph Bayer, 2nd; Mrs. Stanley Haby, 3rd; honorable mention, Mrs. Jimmy Burrell and Mrs. Lynn Boehme.

Religious door, Mrs. E. J. Conrad, 1st; Mrs. G. G. Gillette (residence), 2nd; Joe Hoog, 3rd; Non-religious door Kathleen Laferty, 1st; Thomas Hoog, 2nd; Mrs. G. G. Gillette (2nd entry, Dubois House), 3rd; honorable mention, Bob Johnson.

The judges worked under difficulties because of the rain, and they made allowances for the rain when judging the outdoor entries.

Mrs. Doyle Cockrell has a religious entry on the gallery of her home on the corner of Lisbon and Naples. The figures of three Wise Men were brought by Mrs. Cockrell from Mexico. As she was teaching in San Antonio, she did not know entries were to be registered on Wednesday and judged on Thursday.

D'Hanis News

By Mary Belle Zerr

Miss Virginia Wallrath of SA visited M&M J. P. Ephraim and M&M Carl Rudinger Saturday.

Guests in the J. P. Ephraim home on Saturday through Monday were her brother and his son, Mr. Arthur Gaut and Lowell Gaut of Corpus Christi.

Mr. Harvey Jones of D'Hanis is recuperating in the Uvalde Hospital, Dec. 15.

M&M O. W. Tondre had a Sunday visitors M&M L. T. Stephenson of Helotes.

A. J. Boog left Friday for Midland to spend the Christmas holidays with his daughter, Carmen and her family, the Leo Gossett and their children.

M&M Robert Rothe were in SA last week with their infant son, John Eric who underwent surgery in a SA hospital. They came home Friday and John's mother reports "he is doing just fine".

Mrs. Ida Muennink of Hondo spent last week and this week as the house guest of her brother and his family, the O. W. Tondres.

Community Club members are asked to bring one-half dozen sandwiches to the dance on Christmas night, Dec. 25, 1963, at St. Dominic's Hall, in D'Hanis. The hall will be prepared between 4 and 5 p.m. and Christmas Day and clean-up will follow after the closing of the dance at 12 o'clock midnight. The dance hours are 8 until midnight.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

A Christmas Party held in St. Dominic's Hall on Thursday evening climaxed the fall session of a religious discussion club whose patron is Our Lady of Guadalupe. Refreshments were served and gifts were exchanged. Present were the spiritual director, the Revend Pat Sheridan; the leader, Mrs. Sam Zerr; and members, Mesdames David Gallegos, Joe Felan Jr., Lupe Aguinaga, Innocente Gonzales, Rojelio Lopez, Robert Villereal, Vincente Hernandez, Ildefonso Gomez, Joe Pargas, Benny Rodriguez, and Guillermo Tovar Sr. Father Sheridan received a gift from the group. One member, Mrs. Julian Hernandez, who was unable to attend was remembered with a gift and a plate of refreshments.



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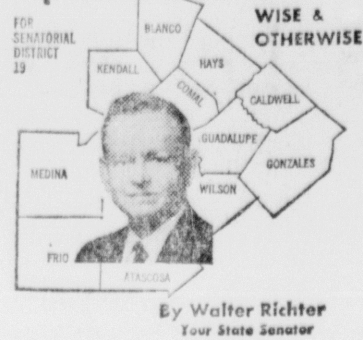
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Home for the Christmas holidays are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Zazzera, Bernadette, Jerome and Michael of Carbondale, Penna. and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Phaneuf, Karen, Stacy, and Yvonne of Amarillo, Texas. Mrs. Zazzera, formerly Darleen Balzen, and children arrived on Dec. 8 via jet airliner for an extended stay. Mr. Zazzera arrived by car on Dec. 19 to be here for the holidays also. Mrs. Phaneuf, formerly Joy Balzen, has been in Germany the past two Christmases. This year will be the first time in five years Mr. and Mrs. Walter Balzen will have all their daughters home for Christmas. While here they will be visiting Mr. and Mrs. Benny DeJoire, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Walker and Sandra and Mrs. Tony Haass, Terry, and Troy.

Capitol Comment...



By Walter Richter
Four State Senator

A TIME TO RESOLVE

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Saying "Let us continue" the tasks we've begun

And pursue them with purpose until they are done.

Let's say down with the bigots, the men of ill will,

The scrooges, the stooges, the spewers of swill;

Let us travel the path that is narrow and straight

A way never trod by purveyors of hate.

There's no time to be petty, no time to pout,

No time to be spiteful and no time to doubt;

Our lives are so fearfully fleeting at best,

Let us live with high purpose, with joy and with zest.

The lessons of Christmas, so profound and so clear

Will surely sustain us throughout the New Year;

And the treasure of Friendship, we Richters attest,

Has a value that surely exceeds all the rest!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Ronald M. Taylor On
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Ronald M. Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tony T. Taylor, 1903 22nd St., Hondo, has been named to the mid-semester honor roll of St. Mary's University, San Antonio, it has been announced by Very Rev. Louis J. Blume, SM, president.

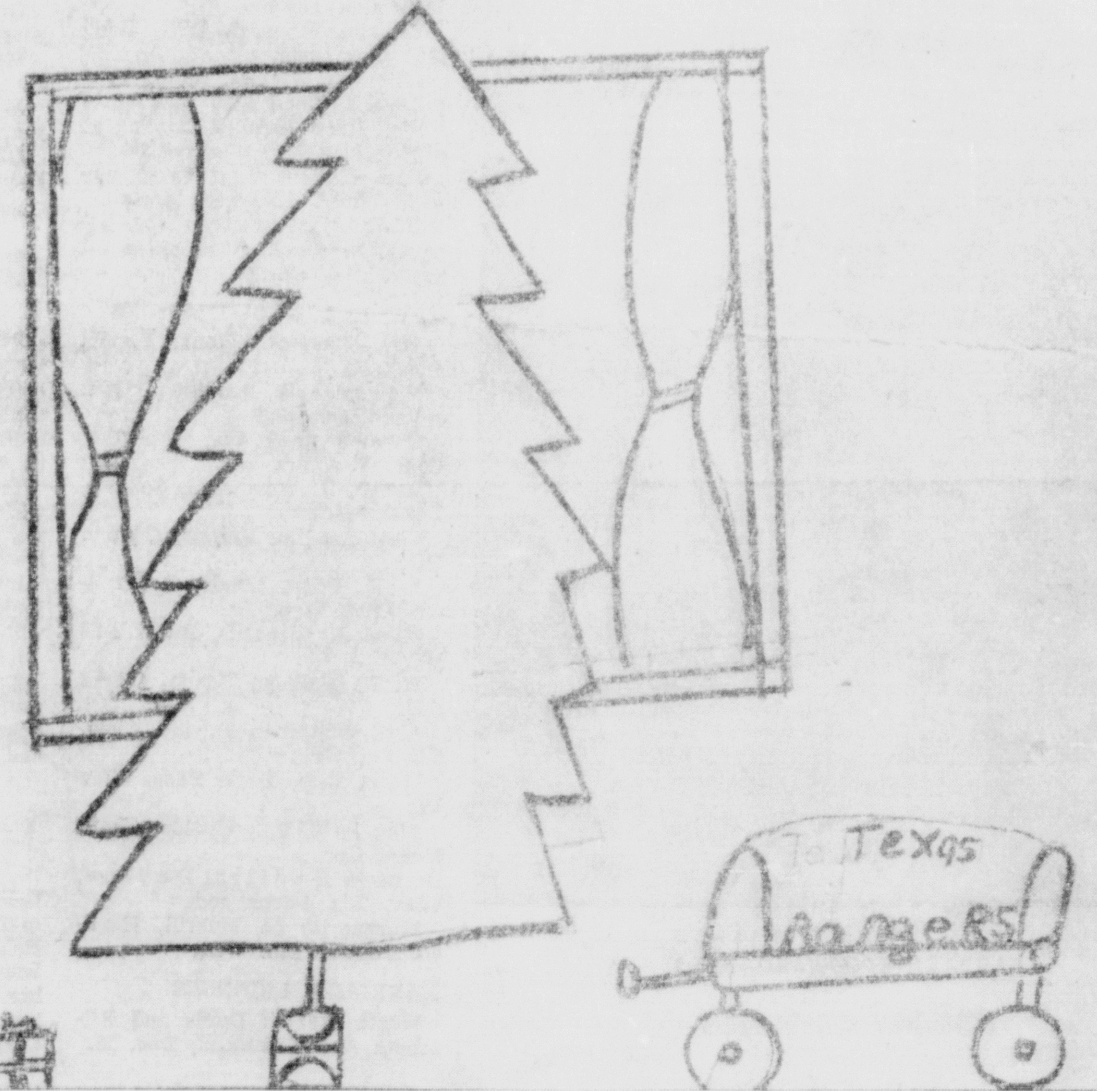
Taylor, a mathematics major, received an honorable mention for attaining a B average in his academic studies.



MARK PROBST—Age 10

Season's Greetings

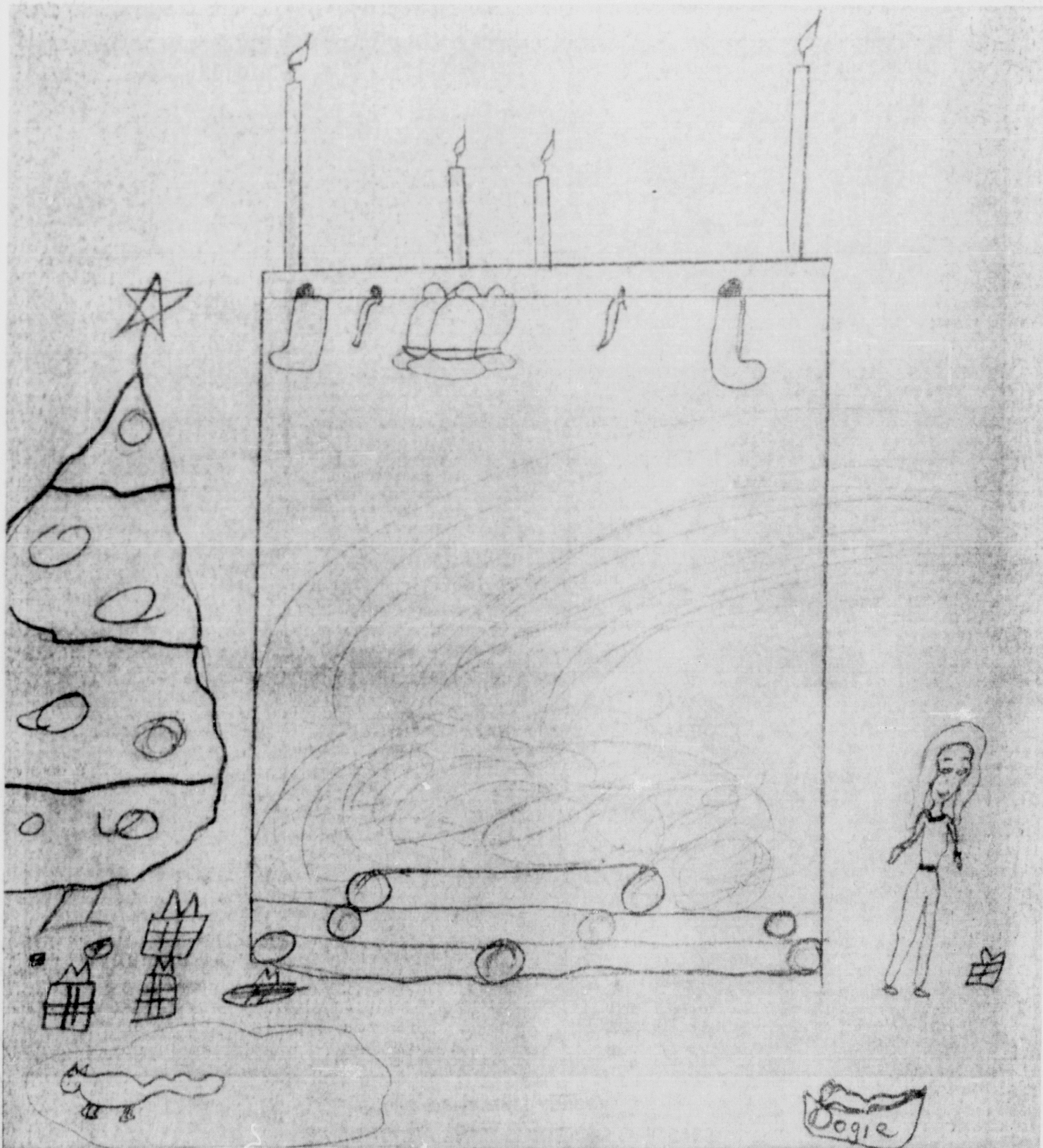
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Revaldina VA Teachers Meet

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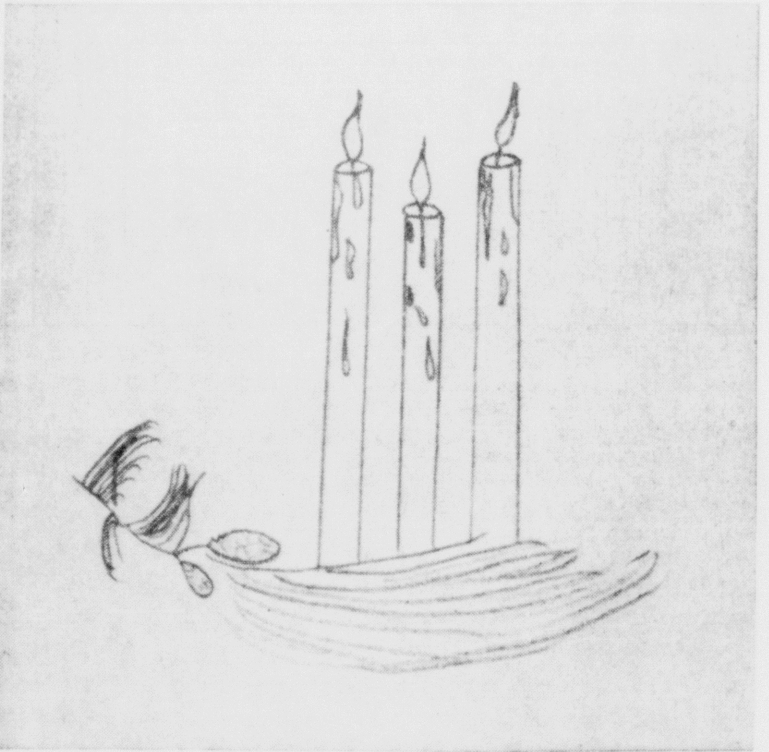
The topic of discussion was "Grain Storage Problems" and "Feed Mixing".

Area teachers attending were:

B. C. McDonald, Natalia; Charles E. Foust, Brackettville; Henry Moss and John Watson, Devine; Wayne Cheney, D'Hanis; John McAnelly, Hondo; Erwin Klaus, Knippa; John Schlittler, Leakey; Royce Duesterheft and Henry Schirmer, Medina Valley; Darrell Hargrove, Nueces Canyon; M. E. Keath, Sabinal; Max Amann, Utonia; and Harper Rawlings, Uvalde.



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James R. Duncan	Frank Vance
Alfred Rohrbach	Francis J. Bohl

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Joe E. Briscoe, et ux to Chas. Thos. Moore, et ux, WD with VL to Lot 1, Blk 3, New City Blk. 107, Windy Knox Addn., Devine, \$10 etc.

Fred Bader et ux to Charles Gilbert et ux, WD to 3.75 acres out of Blk "J" of Subdiv. of Orig Svy 194, Fidele Enderle, \$10 etc.

T. C. McCaughan et al to Roy E. Wilson, Quitclaim deed to 3.5 acres out of SW corner, Svy. 796, Antonio Officer, \$1.

Lester M. Delbrail to Edmund B. Sigman, WD to about one-half acres off East side Lot 2, Blk 2, O. L. Brown Addn., Devine, \$10 etc.

Congregation of the Sisters of Divine Providence of San Antonio to Eugene L. Schorp, et ux, WD with VL to all Lot 5, in Blk. 5, Range 4, Castroville, \$10 etc.

Willa Mary Hartung to Melanie Hartung, trustee, WD with Trust Provision to 5.08 acres out of F. Winans Sur. 3, and .02 acres out of D. Lieber Sur. 4, \$10 etc.

Clemens M. Haegelin et ux to Leon Haegelin, partition deed

Richard L. Keylich, hunting deer with artificial light, fined \$200 plus costs, license suspended

Kenneth Keylich, hunting deer with artificial light, fined \$200 plus costs

Gregory J. Kijek, carrying a pistol, fined \$100 plus costs

Hazel Durbon Rankin, selling beer to minor, fined \$100 plus costs

Gulf Ross, serving beer to minor, fined \$200 plus costs

Tiodoro Guedea, DWI, fined \$50 plus costs

Carlos R. Gonzales, DWI, fined \$50 plus costs

Estanislado Cruz, DWI, fined \$150 plus costs

Luciano Villareal, DWI, fined \$150 plus costs

Clifton C. Winters, selling beer to minor, fined \$150 plus costs

Wm. Reese Sanford, hunting at night, fined \$100 plus costs

Jose Molina, aggravated assault, fined \$100 plus costs

H. E. Masters, swindling by worthless check, fined \$25 and payment of checks

COUNTY COURT

NEW CAR REGISTRATIONS

Mrs. Raymond Koch, Hondo, Olds Sed

Volney B. Snodgrass, Mt. Home, Olds Sed

Eastern Seed Co., Hondo, Chev. Van Trk

Robert R. Woodward, Sabinal, Ford Tudor

Cecil Reagan, Knippa, Chev. PU

L. E. Pope, Hondo, Buick 4-door Est. Wag.

Hazel J. Richards, Buick 4-dr HT

W. F. Wallace, Hondo, Olds Sed.

A. C. Minjanes, Devine, Chev. Bis Sta Wag.

Maria Rios, Eagle Pass, Chev. PU

Able Irrig. Co., Uvalde, Chev. Monza Cpe.

Hermania Padilla, Devine, Chev. Bis 4-door sed.

Marguerite N. Murrill, Hondo, Pontiac Sta. Wag.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Worth Marvin Davis and Elizabeth Ann Townsend, Dec. 16.

D'Hanis News

D'Hanis P. T. A. members are reminded that a New Year's Eve dance will be held in St. Dominic's Hall on New Year's Eve.

POSTER CONTEST WINNERS LISTED

The Anvil Herald's Christmas art contest, open to Medina County students in grades one through four, brought a grand total of 126 entries from various schools.

Judged best over-all was a drawing submitted by Linda K. Yarbrough, 10, and a fourth grade pupil in Meyer Elementary School. Her award is \$10 in cash.

51 WINNERS

The following entries, selected for use in holiday greeting ads which appear in this issue, were awarded prizes of \$1 each:

Nick Turner, 9 years, Meyer, 4th

Mark Probst, 10 years, Meyer, 4th

Larry Garcia, 9 years, Meyer, 4th

Ray Villareal Jr., 10, Meyer, 4-A

Suzanne Kruger, 9 years, Meyer, 4th

Jerry Lynn Schweers 9 years, Meyer, 4th

Kathi Myers, 9 years, Meyer, 4th

Gordon Olen Wiemers, 9 years, Meyer, 4c

Rodney Lively, 9 years, Meyer, 4th

Phyllis Chapman, 9 years, St. John's, 4th

Andrew Ontiveros, 9 years, Yancey, 4th

Barbara Woodward, 9 years, Meyer, 4E

Lydia Valenzuela, 12 years, Meyer, 4th

Darrell Rihn, 10 years, Meyer, 4th

Sonny Gilliam, 9 years, Meyer, 4th

Jose Sanchez, 10 years, Meyer, 4th

Grace Anne Brookshire, 10 years, Meyer, 4th

Mary Reyes, 9 years, Meyer, 4th

Myra Lynn McCartney, 9 years, Meyer, 4th

Richard Rodriguez, 10 years, Meyer, 4B

GOLF NEWS

By Mary Renken

Preparations are under way for the Annual New Years Eve celebration to be held at the Clubhouse for members and their guests on Dec. 31 from 9 til 1.

Theme of this year's party will be "Dreams of 1964" with the decorations featuring money trees, diamond rings, oil wells, mink coats and other luxurious fantasies. A midnight buffet will be served.

Social chairman is Mrs. Wesley Huesser. Assisting as committee members for this special event are Mrs. Harvey Renken and Mrs. Mike Bali.

LaCoste News

By Mrs. Ida Jungman

Calling on M&M Alex E. Jungman Wednesday were the Alex Bohls and daughter, Miss Adilene, who had just returned to her home for a vacation after a tour of two years with the Peace Corps in Amman Jordan.

Wilfred Hutzler Jr. was here to attend the rosary in SA on Sunday night for the late Allen Koch.

News reached us on Wednesday announcing the death of Hy. H. Mathies in SA.

Quite a number of relatives, and friends attended the services.

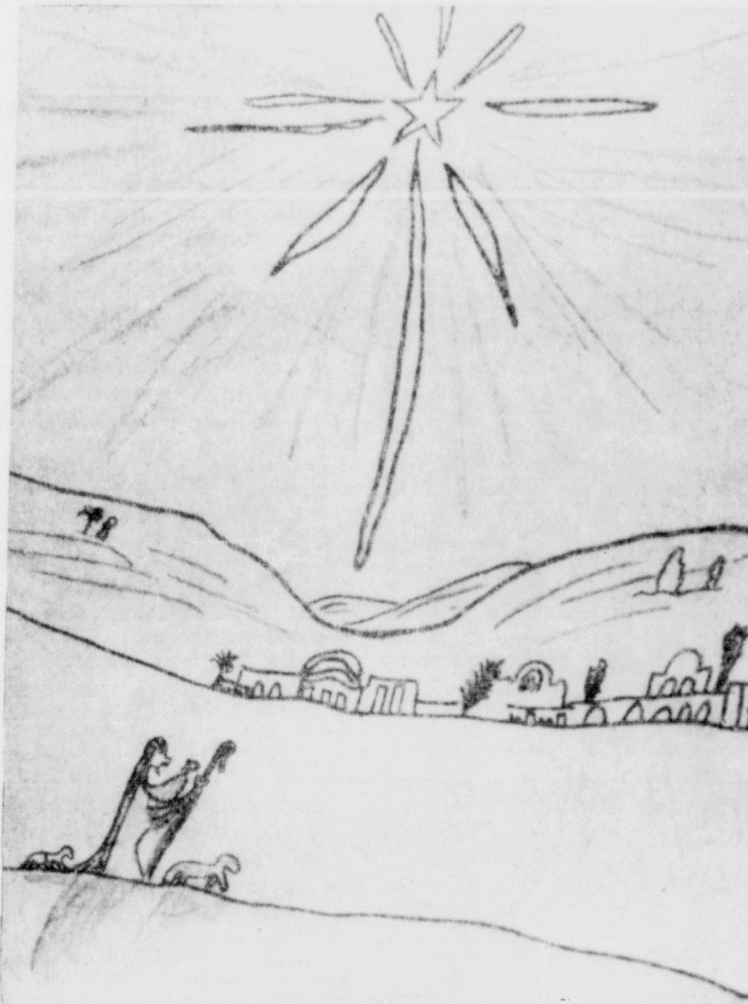
D'HANIS CAMPFIRE

The Camp Fire Girls and Bluebirds of D'Hanis had a Christmas party after school Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Woodrow Glascock, Jr. Games were played and prizes were awarded to Carmen Lutz, Karen Burrell and Kay Huser. Refreshments of punch and cookies were served and little Santa Claus cups were given as favors. Christmas gifts were given to the leaders and each girl brought a gift for the "Empty Stocking".

Molly Finger, Sec'y. Scribe

New Arrival

M&M W. L. Davis announce the arrival of a new granddaughter born Tuesday, December 3, 1963. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Anderson of Pollok. She has three brothers and one sister. Mrs. Anderson is the former Leatrice Davis.



MYRA LYNN MCCARTNEY—Age 9

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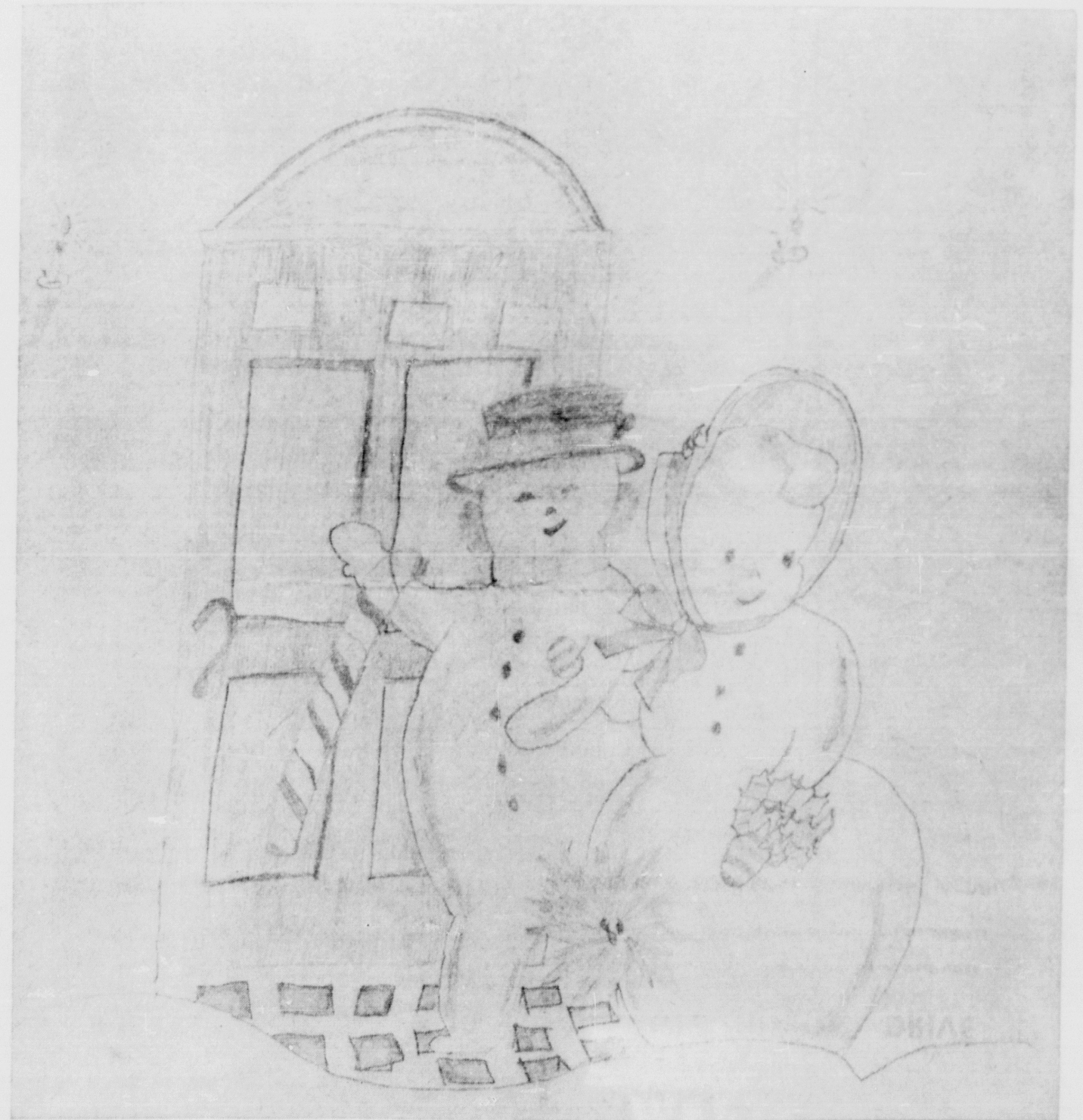


GRACE ANNE BROOKSHIRE—Age 10

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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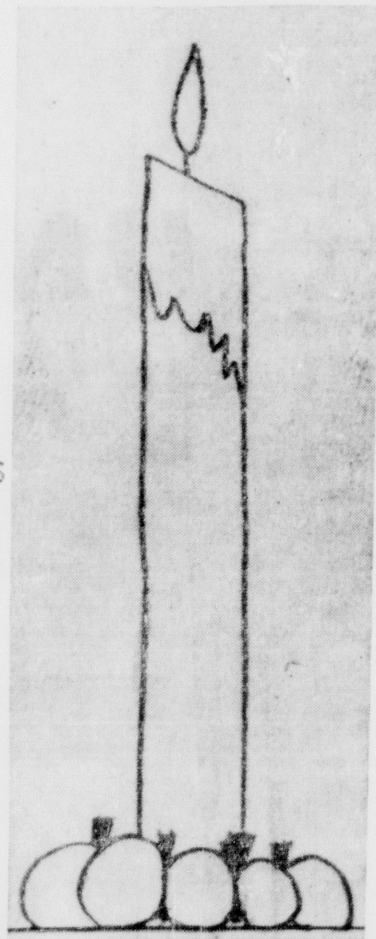
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NICK TURNER—Age 9

"Unto Us A Child Is Born"

MARY-RENE



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